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League seeks ban on imports

The Phillips League executive committee has recommended that no overseas players be registered from May 1, 1979, to the end of the 1979 season.

The proposal, which came from PSL chairman Sam Papasavas, will be put to the Council of Clubs at a meeting in Brisbane on either June 3 or June 5.

The ban on overseas players has been suggested because promotion and relegation will

By LAURIE SCHWAB

apply to the Phillips League for the first time at the end of next season.

"If there is no restrictions, rich clubs will be able to import completely new teams if they are in danger of relegation, and the poorer clubs would be put at an unfair disadvantage," Mr Papasavas said this week.

If the proposal is accepted by the meeting in Brisbane, Phillips League clubs have only until

the end of this year to recruit the overseas players they require.

Players are difficult to get in January-February, 20 clubs would be foolish to try at the last minute.

The implication of the proposal is that it could force domestic transfer fees to rise even higher.

With overseas players banned, clubs that are struggling half way through next season would have to look to the local market where sellers would hold all the aces.

The team that finishes last in 1979 will be replaced by the State League (First Division)

champion from the same State.

The same procedure will be followed at the end of the 1980 season.

However, the team to be promoted will have to meet prescribed criteria and be screened and approved by its State federation.

If the State champion is not suitable for promotion, meaning it doesn't have enough money or adequate facilities, promotion will go to the State runner-up.

If the runner-up isn't suitable either, the third-placed team will get the chance to play off against the candidate for relegation from the Phillips League.

GLOOMY FOR ITALY, DUTCH DAZZLE



Australian Soccer Camps came to Melbourne last week, and the response was better than ever. Pictured is the group of boys that attended the first session at Olympic Park. In the crowd are coaches Mike de Bruyckere, Rale Rasic, Jim Armstrong, Mendo Ristouski and George Campbell. Picture by GEOFF AMPT.

Holland, Poland and Sweden had good victories at the weekend in late lead-up games to the World Cup finals which start on June 1.

Holland, tipped as one of the Cup favorites, was most impressive in beating fellow finalist Austria 1-0 in Vienna in front of a crowd of 61,000.

Arie Haan scored the winning goal in the 53rd minute.

Striker Benny Wendt, who plays in the German Bundesliga, scored Sweden's goal in its 1-0 victory over English team Aston Villa in Stockholm.

Sweden also drew 0-0 with European champion Czechoslovakia in Stockholm. Sweden tried out the 4-4-2 formation it intends to use in the finals. Wendt put the ball into the net but was ruled offside.

Poland, which plays the opening World Cup game against West Germany on June 1, beat Spanish club Hercules Alicante 3-1 in Warsaw.

A crowd of 30,000 people watched Kaz Deyna belt home two goals, with the third coming from Szymanski.

Moyano scored for Hercules.

Italy, meanwhile, could not have been too pleased with its scoreless draw with Yugoslavia in Rome, while Mexico, after a successful European tour, was held to a 1-1 draw by a Rio Grande Do Sul selection in Porto Alegre, Brazil.

The Brazilian team led 1-0 at half time with a goal by Eder, but Hugo Sanchez equalised in the 50th minute.

Scotland, which had had such high hopes, was beaten 1-0 by England in the British championships, to finish third behind England and Wales.

Two of Scotland's stars, Bruce Riech and Don Masson, have been transfer-listed by their English club, Derby County.

Meanwhile, FIFA president Joao Havelange has said there is no danger of terrorist violence during the World Cup, as the Argentine government had offered every possible guarantee to prevent such outbreaks.

This is the table compiled from all games in World Cup final series since the first competition in 1930:

Competition	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
1. Brazil	45	29	7	9	109	53	65:25
2. W. Germany	41	27	5	9	100	63	59:23
3. Italy	29	16	5	8	53	34	37:21
4. Uruguay	29	14	5	10	57	39	33:25
5. Hungary	23	13	2	8	70	34	28:18
6. Sweden	25	11	5	9	47	43	27:23
7. England	24	10	6	8	34	28	26:22
8. Yugoslavia	25	10	5	10	45	34	25:25
9. USSR	19	10	3	6	30	21	23:15
10. Argentina	22	9	4	9	40	41	22:22
11. Czechoslovakia	22	8	3	11	32	36	19:25
12. Chile	18	7	3	8	23	24	17:19
13. France	17	7	1	9	38	33	15:19
14. Spain	15	6	2	7	20	23	14:16
15. Austria	12	6	1	5	26	26	13:11
16. Poland	8	6	0	2	21	11	12:4
17. Switzerland	18	5	2	11	28	44	12:24
18. Holland	9	5	1	3	17	9	11:7
19. Portugal	6	5	0	1	17	8	10:2
20. Mexico	21	3	4	14	19	50	10:32
21. East Germany	6	2	2	2	5	5	6:6
22. Paraguay	7	2	2	3	12	19	6:8
23. U.S.A.	7	3	0	4	12	21	6:8
24. Wales	5	1	3	1	4	4	5:5
25. Romania	6	2	1	3	12	17	5:11
26. Scotland	8	1	3	4	7	15	5:11
27. Peru	6	2	0	4	10	13	4:8
28. Bulgaria	12	0	4	8	9	29	4:20
29. Cuba	3	1	1	1	5	12	3:3
30. North Korea	4	1	1	2	5	9	3:5
31. N. Ireland	4	1	1	2	4	9	3:5
32. Belgium	9	1	1	7	12	35	3:15
33. Turkey	3	1	0	2	10	11	2:4
34. Israel	3	1	0	2	1	3	2:4
35. Morocco	3	0	1	2	2	8	1:5
36. Colombia	3	0	2	1	5	11	1:5
37. Australia	3	0	1	2	0	5	1:5
38. Egypt	1	0	0	1	2	4	0:2
39. Norway	1	0	0	1	2	2	0:2
40. Dutch E. Indies	1	0	0	1	0	6	0:2
41. South Korea	2	0	2	0	16	0:4	
42. El Salvador	3	0	0	3	0	9	0:6
43. Haiti	3	0	0	3	2	14	0:6
44. Zaire	3	0	0	3	0	4	0:6
45. Bolivia	3	0	0	3	0	16	0:6

Dundee lucky to beat Queensland

By BRUCE WADDELL

Touring Scottish team Dundee, smarting from its 1-2 loss to Newcastle KB United, was lucky to beat determined Queensland 1-0 at Perry Park in Brisbane on Sunday. Dundee meets Victoria at Olympic Park this Sunday.

A goal by Col Curran in the 65th minute gave Newcastle its brilliant victory mid-week. Ken Boden has previously scored for Newcastle and McGeechie for Dundee.

Dundee beat Queensland with a goal by Billy Wil-

liamson only 12 minutes from the end.

Queensland, almost totally dominated by Brisbane Lions and Brisbane City players, stretched Dundee to the limit and deserved at least a draw. Striker Alan Marley haras-

sed Dundee centre backs Bobby Glennie and George McGeechie and Queensland should have been able to make something out of the several half chances he produced.

Other Queensland stars were goalkeeper Nigel Lowndes, centre backs Jim Hermiston and Col Bennett, and full back Steve Perry. In midfield, Eddy Spearritt

once again disproved the popular theory that he is too old for top-line football, while Geoff Morris, John Neale and Larry Gaffney had moments in which their football more than matched that of Dundee.

Most impressive for Dundee were McGeechie, Glennie, Bobby Ford, Redford, Sinclair and Phillip.

Dundee's top striker Billy Pirie, who joins Sydney Olympic this week, replaced McDougall at half time and right back Ford and midfielder McPhail switched positions.

At Perry Park, Brisbane, 8 pm: Southside Eagles v HAKOAH-EASTS.

At Marconi Oval, Sydney, 8 pm: MARCONI v Sydney Croatia.

MELBOURNE HELLAS v Footscray J.U.S.T.

At Perry Park, Brisbane, 8 pm: Southside Eagles v HAKOAH-EASTS.

At Marconi Oval, Sydney, 8 pm: MARCONI v Sydney Croatia.

At Hindmarsh Stadium, Adelaide, 7 pm: Beograd v AZZURRI; 9 pm: ADELAIDE JUVENTUS v Norlunga.

At Veldrome, Perth, 8 pm: Ascot v WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS.

At Perry Park, Brisbane, 8 pm: BRISBANE LIONS v Annerley.

Matches next Wednesday, May 31:

At Olympic Park,

CUP GAME IN PERTH

The first round of the Phillips Cup continues today (Wednesday), with games in Sydney, Adelaide, Perth and Brisbane.

Games, with likely winners in capitals, are:
At Garside Park, Sydney, 7.15 p.m.: WESTERN SUBURBS v Sutherland; 9 p.m.: SYDNEY OLYMPIC v

Games

STANDINGS

This week's games:

IN MELBOURNE

Footscray J.U.S.T. v
Alexander, Schintler
Reserve, 3 pm Saturday.
Sth Melbourne Hellas v
Canberra, Middle Park, 3
pm, Saturday.

IN SYDNEY

West Suburbs v St.
George, Wentworth Park,
1 pm, Sunday.
Hakoah v Olympic,
Wentworth Park, 3 pm,
Sunday.
Marconi v Newcastle,
Marconi Oval, 3 pm Sun-
day.

IN BRISBANE

Brisbane City v
Brisbane Lions, Perry
Park, Sunday 3 pm.

IN ADELAIDE

Adelaide Juventus v W.
Adelaide Hellas, Olympic
Sports Field, 3 pm, Sun-
day.

IN NEWCASTLE

Newcastle v Brisbane
City, Wednesday.

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Hakoah-East	1	2	2	8	5	4	1	2	17	10 22:15 13
Sth Melb. Hellas	2	2	2	7	7	2	3	1	7	5 14:12 13
Brisbane Lions	1	3	1	6	7	2	3	1	11	10 17:17 12
West Suburbs	2	3	1	10	9	2	1	3	11	14 21:22 12
Fitz. Alexander	2	2	2	6	6	1	3	2	8	12 14:18 11
Syd Olympic	1	2	4	8	12	2	2	1	6	5 14:17 10
Brisbane City	4	0	2	9	7	1	0	4	4	9 13:16 10
Canberra	0	7	0	10	10	1	1	3	5	9 15:19 10
Adel Juventus	2	2	2	7	6	1	2	3	7	12 14:18 10
Footscray JUST	1	1	3	3	6	2	3	1	5	6 8:12 10
Newcastle	0	3	2	6	10	2	3	1	8	9 14:19 10
St. George	3	0	3	9	9	1	1	4	5	8 14:17 9

Philips League team of week

In brackets: No. of appearances in this team —

MEIER (3) (Syd Oly)			
MULLEN (2) (Hak)	BROWN (2) (Can)	KAMPAS (4) (WAH)	DEGNEY (3) (Marc)
MCGACHEY (2) (WAH)	BOYLE (2) (WAH)	CAMPBELL (1) (Alex)	
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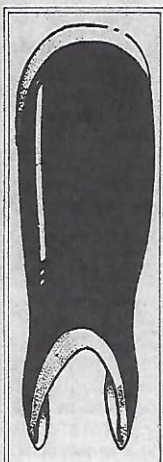
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8. Jankovic (Marc),
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6. Vieri (Marc), Grujicic (Can), Fisher (West Sub), O'Connor (St. G),
5. Boden (Newc), Hughes (Lions), Marley (Brs C), Cole (Alex),
4. J. Nykohus (Adel Juv), E. Campbell (Hak), Silva (Hak), T. Byrne (Can), J. Campbell (Alex).

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THIS WEEK'S VOTES

MARCONI 1 (Vieri) v SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1 (Jamieson) at Wentworth Park, Sydney. Crowd 6702.

Ratings by John Taylor.

MARCONI: Maher 7, Jones (Brogan 5, 31st min), Prskaio 7, Russell 7, Degney 9, Byrne 7, Rooney 7, Vieri 8, Sharne 9, Mariani 7, Williams 7.

OLYMPIC: Meier 9, Palmer 7, Bell 7, Markland 7, McIntosh 6 (Luckett 75th min), Jamieson 7, Stravopodis 8, Cross 7, Laing 7, Davourlis 9, Allan 6 (Ainslie 63rd min).

ST GEORGE 1 (Mendez), HAKOAH 3 (Silva, Watson, Trenter) at Barton Park, Sydney. Crowd, 1200.

Ratings by Peter Scott.

HAKOAH: Pezzano 5, Mullen 8, Thompson 6, Steve O'Connor 6, Mowbray 5, Watson 7, Souness 6, Barnes 7, Campbell 5 (sent off 64th min), Simao (Trenter 7, 28th min), Silva 7.

ST. GEORGE BUDAPEST: Coe 6, Harris 6, Grosse 6, Morgan 7, Rendell 6 (Vassile 68th min), Gnavi 6, John O'Shea 5, Mendez 6, Hensman 5 (Durieic 71st min), Jones 7, Phil O'Connor 8.

CANBERRA CITY 2 (Crujicic 2) v WESTERN SUBURBS 2 (Fisher, O'Donnell) at Bruce Stadium, Canberra. Crowd 5000.

Ratings by Frank Pangallo.

WEST ADELAIDE: Crook 7, Tymczyszyn 7, Kampas 7, Jones 6, Reynold 7, McGachey 8, Boyle 9, Pillans 6, Zervas 2 (Bozanic 5, half time), Honeyman 8, McGregor 7 (Norris 81st).

WESTS: Lachowicz 8, Skellern 8, Turnbull 7, Noble 7, Campbell 7, Harding 8, Stone 7, O'Donnell 8, Fisher 8, Vernon 7, Eaton 8.

Referee, D. Yelland (Melbourne).

WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS 3 (Kampas pen, Honeyman, Tymczyszyn) SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 1 (Ollerton) at Hindmarsh Stadium, Crowd 10,000.

Ratings by Frank Pangallo:
WEST ADELAIDE: Crook 7, Tymczyszyn 7, Kampas 7, Jones 6, Reynold 7, McGachey 8, Boyle 9, Pillans 6, Zervas 2 (Bozanic 5, half time), Honeyman 8, McGregor 7 (Norris 81st).

SOUTH MELBOURNE: Hansen 8; Pye 7, Kalafatis 6, Baxter 7, Hegeganoull 7, Campbell 6, Wright 7, Rogers 7; Cummings 6, Ollerton 5, Kent 6.

FITZROY ALEXANDER 3 (Campbell 2, Micevski) ADELAIDE JUVENTUS 0 at Middle Park, crowd about 4000.

Ratings by Laurie Schwab:

ALEXANDER: Blasby 7; McMillan 7, Provan 7, O'Reilly 7, Tansey 8; Selemidis 8, Taylor 7, Micevski 8 (replaced Buljevic, injured, 22nd), Boziskas 8, Cole 6, Campbell 8.

JUVENTUS: Romanowicz 8; B. Nykohus 7, Lister 7, Muir 8, Yung 5 (Basir 72nd), McCluskey 5, Perin 5, (Northcote 75th), Muniz 5; Fyfe 6, Kosmina 6, J. Nykohus 8.

BOLAND TOPS

Leading averages in the JAT — 'Soccer Action' player of the year award are—

8.4 Boland (JUST)
8.1 Perry (Bris. City)
7.9 Vieri (Marc)
7.8 Kolecki (Juve)
7.7 Boden (Newc)
7.6 Marinello (Can)
7.5 Hermiston (Bris. Lions), Degney (Marc), O'Connor (St. Geo)
7.4 Tilsed (Can), Rooney (Marc), Sharne (Marc), Nykohus B. (Juve.), Northcote (Juve), Luton (SMH), McGachey (WAH).
7.3 Gaffney (Bris City), Connor (Bris City)
7.2 Pimblett (Bris City), Lownds (Bris Lions), Henderson (Can), Stark (Can), Byrne (Can), Palinkas (JUST), Picloane (JUST), Maher (Marc), Russell (Marc), Summercales (Newc), Lister (Juve), Meier (Syd Oly), Hansen (SMH).

ONLY 5 WINS IN 8 YEARS

New-look Vics hope to reverse the trend

By LAURIE SCHWAB

The Victorian team to meet Dundee at Olympic Park at 3pm on Sunday will contain only one, perhaps two players who have previously represented the State.

The "veteran" of the team will be J.U.S.T. centre back Jim Kondarios who has made nine appearances for Victoria, against — Atromitos (1-1), Italian Army (1-2), Bologna (0-4), Tottenham Hotspur (1-3), South Australia (1-2), Velez Mostar (abandoned at 2-2), Australia B (1-3), Benfica (0-2) and Glasgow Rangers (1-5).

Vince Bannon of Frankston City may be the only other player with State experience. Bannon played in Victoria's 2-3 loss to Ferencvaros in 1974.

However, he could lose his place to Alexander's Bob Provan who plays centre back for his club, but whom coach Duncan McKay fancies as a possible full back.

Tommy Cumming of Essendon Croatia played against Middlesbrough (0-4) and South Australia (2-1) last year, but the little winger is unlikely to force his way into the team ahead of Mick Watkins (Juventus), Ken Reed (George Cross), George Campbell (Hellas).

The likely team is: John Hansen (Hellas) — Bob Provan (Alexander), Jim Kondarios (J.U.S.T.), Stuart Baxter (Hellas), Zdravko Lujic (J.U.S.T.), Alan Kerr (Essendon Croatia), Bill McClymont (Makedonia), Steve Bennie (Green Gully-Ajax), Mick Watkins (Juventus), Ken Reed (George Cross), George Campbell (Hellas).

Victoria the habitual loser, has won only two games against touring teams this decade — 2-1 against the Welsh FA in 1971 and 2-1



Alexander's Bob Provan rises high above opponents to head clear. He'll probably play at full back for Victoria.

against Bristol Rovers of England in 1974.

His record since the start of 1970 reads: won 5, drew 7, lost 24, goals 38 for, 91 against, points 17-55.

The other three wins were against South Australia.

Players who have made the most appearances for Victoria since the start of the decade are:

- 22. Branko Buljevic.
- 20. Jack Reilly.
- 19. Billy Vojtek, Jimmy Mackay.
- 15. Mike Pye.
- 14. Alistair Scott.
- 13. Sandy Irvine.
- 12. Frank Micic.

Of course, Micic has played more than 50 games for Victoria, the rest being before 1970. Vojtek and Mackay played about 30 each.

Top scorers for Victoria since 1970 have been:

- 6. Branko Buljevic.
- 4. Billy Vojtek.
- 3. Graham French.
- 2. Jimmy Mackay, Ulysses Kokkinos.

Victoria's best games this decade, with details, have been.

1970: VICTORIA 2 (Vojtek, Ujessonovic) NSW 2 (Denton, Alston).

Victoria: Reilly, Ujessonovic, Kinnell, Irvine, Scott, Micic, Mackay, Goodwin, Zoraja (Rogers), Vojtek, Buljevic. Coach: Rale Rasic.

NSW: Fraser, Yaeger, Mar-noch, Schaefer, Sandell, Warren, Baartz, Watkiss, Abonyi, Alston, Denton. Coach: Frank Ark.

1971: VICTORIA 0 MOSCOW DYNAMO 0.

Victoria: Reilly, Rutherford (Irvine), Juhasz, Lopatic, Dobbing, Scott, Salisbury (Marshall), Mackay, Vojtek, Kokkinos, Buljevic. Coach: Ken Kontra.

1971: VICTORIA 2 (Vojtek, Zoraja) WELSH FA 1 (Davies).

Victoria: Kovacek, Irvine, Juhasz, Szabo, McGowan, Lopatic, Wallace, Scott (Kuzilek), Zoraja, Vojtek, Bleskany. Coach: Ken Kontra.

1974: VICTORIA 2 (Howie, Armstrong) BRISTOL ROVERS 1 (Fearnley).

Victoria: Kastner, Pye, Kazi, Walker, Tansey, Howie, Micic, P. Bannon, Bleskany (Gillan), Micevski (Armstrong), Palinkas. Coach: Tony Boggi.

1976: VICTORIA 2 (Ollerton, Ristovski) VELEZ MOSTAR 2 (Halilhodzic 2), abandoned late in game due to crowd trouble.

Victoria: Reilly, Kazi, Xanthopoulos, Kondarios, Tansey, Krlaris, Gibson (Cummings), Bourne, Ristovski, Ollerton, Vojtek. Coach: Tony Boggi.

1976: VICTORIA 1 (French penalty) ATROMITOS 1 (Bergeles).

Victoria: Clarke, Pye, Xanthopoulos, Kondarios, Tansey, Bourne, Mackay, Wagstaff (Gibson), Ristovski



(Cummings), Ollerton, French. Coach: Tony Boggi.

The full squad for Victoria's game against Dundee on Sunday is: Goalkeepers: John Hansen (Hellas), Peter Laumerts (Makedonia). Defenders: Vince Bannon (Frankston), Bob Provan (Alexander), Stuart Baxter (Hellas), Jim Kondarios (J.U.S.T.), Steve Kokoska (Croatia), Zdravko Lujic (J.U.S.T.).

Midfielders: Charlie Smith (Juventus), Alan Kerr (Croatia), Steve Bennie (Ajax), Bill McClymont

(Makedonia), Ken Taylor (Alexander).

Forwards: Mick Watkins (Juventus), Ken Reed (George Cross), George McMillan (Makedonia), Tommy Cumming (Croatia), George Campbell (Hellas).

The likely Dundee team is: Ally Donaldson, Dave McKinnon, Bobby Glennie, Iain Phillip, Erich Schneider, Iain McDougall, Ian Bradley, Bill Williamson, Bill Pirie, Eric Sinclair, Thomson Allan.

Dundee has an excellent relationship with the Sydney Olympic club.

Former Dundee players Derek Laing and Dave McIntosh play at Olympic, and Bill

• Dundee as it was when Sydney Olympic players Dave McIntosh and Derek Laing were there. There have been changes since. Back row from left: Dave MacKinnon, David Johnston, Eric Sinclair, Thomson Allan, Ally Donaldson, Gordon Arthur, Dave McIntosh, Iain Phillip, Ian Redford; Middle row: Eric Ferguson (physiotherapist), Bobby Ford, John Cord, Ian Purdie, James Leonard, Alex Caldwell, John Smith, John McPhail, Gavin Redford, Gordon Strachan, Bobby Thomson, Bobby Robinson, George Bluss (assistant coach). Front row: David White (then manager), Wilson Hoggan, Derek Laing, Bobby Hutchinson, Pat Morris, Mitch Bavidge, Bill Pirie, Grant Nisbet, John Martin, Hugh Robertson (coach).

Pirie, who guested there last year, will rejoin Olympic after the tour.

The relationship between the two clubs was established by Olympic coach Tom Anderson and former APIA

and Socceroo star George Bluss, who is assistant coach at Dundee.

Dundee's last tour match is against South Australia at Hindmarsh Stadium at 8pm on Wednesday.



J.U.S.T.'s powerful centre back Jim Kondarios jumps high to clear the ball from St. George's Zoran Djuricic. Kondarios has represented Victoria nine times.



Forward Mick Watkins of Juventus won the Victorian Bill Fleming Medal as Player of the Year last season.



Left back Zdravko Lujic of J.U.S.T.

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Hellas' "White Pete", George Campbell, from Aberdeen. He was a late addition to

Johnston debacche

Craig Johnston is a wonderfully talented player. He wouldn't be recognised by a club as great as Middlebrough if he were anything less.

I admire this 17-year-old enormously for what he has achieved and for what I have no doubt he will achieve in the future.

However, it was sheer stupidity to select him for the Australian squad to play against Greece without first knowing whether he wanted to play, or whether he was able to.

Those things should have been settled behind closed doors by federation officials and the coach.

Instead, we had a situation in which the Middlebrough manager complained angrily, saying he would not give Johnston permission to play for Australia.

And Johnston had said earlier that his real ambition was to play for Scotland.

All these problems should have been sorted out before his name appeared in the squad.

Now, from a different point of view, do you have to go to England to be recognised and will you only then be picked to play for Australia?

What about Mark Jankevich? He is young, he has talent, he is a top scorer in the Phillips League and he already has had a little international experience, yet he didn't rate a mention for the games against Greece.



RALE RASIC

coaches, managers — is to get out of the game.

A certain group of fellow journalists have been writing week in, week out that this team or that team will win Marconi, for some reason or other.

My advice to them is to be realistic. Marconi has lost only five games in two years and has proven itself by far the best club side in Australia. It's no accident, gentlemen.

GO HEADS FOR PHILIPS LEAGUE

Australian soccer fans this week are trying to get accustomed to the strange sensation of seeing St George Budapest languishing at the very bottom of the Phillips League.

Strange indeed, for one of the pace-setters of big-time soccer in this country, but those of their supporters with a long memory can be excused for having a feeling of déjà vu.

They've been through this all before, when, a good many years ago, the feared and respected Saints were staring the spectre of relegation from the NSW First Division in the face.

That was the year all their energies were concentrated on building and inaugurating their licensed club in the suburb of Mortdale.

Soccer took the back seat until the pokies started pouring out the thousands in profit, but this a coincidence that St George's current bout of the horrors coincides with the opening of their new ground, Barton Park Soccer Stadium.

Certainly, a wise investment for the future, but on the field of play the red-and-white-and-greens are 14th out of 14 — dead last!

This sorry state of affairs arrived as a result of a comprehensive 3-1 loss to Hakoah in a match which presented plenty of opportunities for the home side to save face.

St George took the lead at a psychologically vital moment, just three minutes before half time, as Hakoah struggled to keep its slate clean, playing against a gale-force wind.

Although the Blues managed to even the score early in the second half, they once again offered the match on a silver platter to the Saints, through lack of discipline on the part of Ernie Campbell.

Earlier the former Socceron collected a caution from referee Brian Fowler, for rolling the ball from the spot where a free kick was awarded.

In the 63rd minute Campbell looked like getting set for a tight edged scoring chance when he was rather crudely dragged down by the home defence inside the penalty.

Instead of accepting stoically ref Fowler's decision not to penalise the infringement, Campbell decided to retaliate less than a minute later by "chopping" Mick Rendell.

Having shown him the yellow card before, Fowler this time had no hesitation in ordering Campbell from the field.

Even this unexpected stroke of luck had no effect on the sluggish Saints. On the contrary, it seemed to confuse them even more, while Hakoah vengefully set about the job of gaining satisfaction or injustices real and imagined.

As embattled St George coach Ilya Takac ruefully confided to me soon after his team's sad demise: "Hakoah wanted to win more than our players did, and deserved to do so."

He singled out the Blues' tighter, more effective midfield as the main reason for the Saints' defeat.

The statement points the finger at Saints' Rudy Gnani, Carlos Mendez and John O'Shea, who all had spectacularly unimpaired performances in a match that never rose to great heights.

In addition Gnani, this abundantly talented, but consistently moody player, "distinguished" himself in a particularly nasty way, about five minutes from the end.

The victim of his attentions was Hilton Silva, who alleged later that Gnani called to him when they were being played, and as Silva turned, elbowed him in the ribs.

According to Silva, an urgent post-match attention got him back on his feet, even Mendez decried his team's action.

Referee Fowler did not see the incident. Hakoah's win gains added lustre because of the absence of two of their stars, Todd Clarke, still having trouble with his tendons, and John Stevenson, who was on the bench following a groin injury suffered the previous week.

Another new face was introduced into the line-up in this match — Mark Trenter making his debut, when he replaced Simso in the 28th minute.

The young African complained of sore thigh muscles, coming off after nearly half an hour of trying to fit into the Hakoah combination, mostly unsuccessfully.

Most of the first half was scrappy, sparring between the two sides, with some chances — all wasted — but precious little good football, until the 40th minute.

It was then that Phil O'Connor suddenly linked his way through the defence, only to see his shot turned round the upright by his namesake in Hakoah, Steve O'Connor.

Just two minutes later the St George winger set off on an incredible run, once again beating man after man, before slipping a final pass to the unmarked Mendez, who grandly hammered the ball into the left corner of the net.

St George also dominated the early part of the second half, Gnani settling up several counter-attacking moves with long, accurate balls out from the defence.

Still Hakoah was not to be denied. Barnes bringing the best out of Martin Coo with a header in the 56th minute, but the former Hakoah goalie was helpless as

GO HEADS FOR PHILIPS LEAGUE

By PETER SCOTT

roof of the net from the inside-right position. Hakoah continued to look the better side and in the peppery aftermath of Campbell's expulsion they took revenge when Watson

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St. Geo. 1 Hakoah 2

Philips Cup in Newcastle, Sydney, Melbourne

NEWCASTLE KB 2 (Drinkwater, Summerscales) WESTON BEARS 1 (J. J. Turnbull)

Newcastle KB: Dando, Willis, Curran, Summerscales, Drinkwater, Herdes, Sheddin (Golpin H.T.), Meron, Johnston, Mountford, Boden.

Weston Bears: Lassance, Davis, Johnson, Sheddin, Thompson, J. Turnbull, King, Stoker, Boyland, Harper, J. J. Turnbull.

In the first round of the Philips Cup Newcastle KB United defeated last year's premiers Weston Bears 2-1 at Weston Park.

Bozikas gets at-trick-

ALEXANDER 6 (Bozikas 25th min, 44th, 53rd mins, Campbell 71st, 79th mins. Colo 72nd min.) SLAVIA 3 (Miller 30th min., Paton 67th min. Train 90th min.)

ALEXANDER: Blazy 6, McMillan 6, Provan 6, O'Reilly 6, Tansley 7, Campbell 8, Taylor 7, Micevski 6 (Selemdis 62nd min.), Bozikas 9, Cole 7, Buljevic 7, (Racovalis 83rd min.) SLAVIA: Neri 5, Thompson 5, Westley 5, Yzendoorn 5, Miller 6, Train 7, Whiteside 5, Turner 6, Paton 7, Aldridge 6 (Cooch 69th min.), Williams 5.

A second-half blitz by Alexander, inspired by the brilliant Andy Bozikas, blasted Slavia out of the Philips Cup and added weight to the popular theory that the State League is way behind the P.S.L.

It was a return to form for the speedy Bozikas, and he set up two goals as well as score three. The goals he scored in this game were his first since the opening round of the season.

During an eight minute spell in the second half, Alexander scored three goals and had one disallowed. Shots bombarded the Slavia goal, and Alexander could do no wrong.

For Frank Neri, the Slavia reserve team keeper who was brought in after State squad member Peter Clarke injured his knee at work, it was a nightmare game.

He was given little cover by his defence, which was missing Steve Short who was at the tribunal.

To Slavia's credit, Neri never gave up. Andy Miller equalised with a diving header to make the score 1-1 in the 30th minute, and Slavia was unlucky to go 2-2 down a minute before half time.

Then, after Alexander was leading 3-1, Slavia pulled a goal back with a well-worked free kick that ended with Jim Paton planting the ball past Peter Blazy with the Alexander defence tricked by dummy runs from two Slavia attackers.

However, any thoughts that Slavia would make it 3-3 were quickly forgotten when Alexander hit top gear.

It was a team effort by Alexander, with Jim Tansley, Campbell, Gary Cole and, of course, Bozikas, providing the individual flair.

The first half was a different story. Slavia defended grimly but looked impressive when counter-attacking. Alexander's attacks didn't have the fluidity that was to come later in the game, and the midfield wasn't direct.

Alexander's defence was the team's only line that didn't carry its weight. A lapse in the 80th minute allowed Jim Train, a tireless battler for his team to grab a consolation goal, adding a touch of respectability to the scoreline for Slavia.

Alexander coach, John Margatilis would have been happy, but not totally surprised by his team scoring six goals. A couple of days before the game he commented to a member of the Greek press that it wouldn't be long before the side scored a bagful.

— KYLE PATTERSON.

Plucky APAs fails

ST. GEORGE 2 (J. O'Shea, Heasman) APIA 1 (Jack).

ST. GEORGE: Coo 5 (Patterson 5-45th), Harris 8, Rendell 6, Morgan 8, Grosse 8, J. O'Shea 7, O'Connor 7, Jones 6, Mendez 5, Acosta 5 (Dege 50 — Hensman 50) APIA: McArdle 7, Porter 6, Griffin 6, McMillan 6, Jackson 6 (Miller 83, Lindsay 7, O'Shea 6 (Jack 53), Doyle 6, Carruthers 6, Rut 7, Sime 6.

Ambitious Apia came a cropper in the first round of the Philips Cup to old NSW State League rival St. George.

In the first Cup match in Sydney this season, a meagre crowd of 722 saw a depleted St. George sneak home 2-1 with a late goal by substitute forward Peter Hensman at Gariside Park.

When organisers start a Cup fixture at a school at night at this time of the year, one can only expect a poor response from the fans.

St. George's first match resulted in a draw after the required 90 minutes, the game could have carried on until midnight if extra time and penalty kicks had been played.

With only six minutes left the game certainly looked like going into extra time.

But a determined St. George fullback George Harris and a cross by the Saints' skipper across the face of the Apia goalmouth resulted in the winning goal from the head of Hensman.

St. George's first match was a close one, with the Saints' cross and the ball rebounded off the post, with Hensman prominently heading into the net.

David Jara, teenage left back, Mick Rendell and midfielder Isidoro Acosta were playing their first match in first grade for St. George.

Charles Smith, who was not named in the official line-up, had a particularly fine first half. He never allowed the

Let's have senior men on the line

By PETER WINDSOR

Referee David Yelland again gave a controversial injury-time goal that changed the end result. It cost Canberra City its first home victory of the year.

It was a sensational end to a sensational game.

But let me immediately dwell on one aspect of this, in fact every Canberra home game (and perhaps all Phillips League games) that disturbs.

It is not so much the standard of refereeing — although that's far from perfect — but the woefully inadequate standard of running the lines.

I'm not aware of the interstate situation but Canberra's arrangements give Phillips League lines to second grade referees. The ACT Referees' Association pleads that it is invaluable "big match" experience.

Canberra City fans reply it is disastrous.

I'll have to agree, inevitably these "apprentices" are overawed by the occasion and make far too many fundamental errors.

The man-with-the-whistle has enough on his plate without having also to contend with inferior linesmen. These men obviously find the pace of the Phillips League too much, and that's not good enough.

Let first grade Canberra referees run Phillips League lines. They, too, would benefit from the experience and aid the better all-round control of national league games.

Back to Saturday's game.

Many things made it sensational — but two stood out.

The great fight-back by the 10-man Canberra after being 0-1 down at the break was the first.

Canberra 2 Wests 2

and more than equalled Wests, but it must also be noted that Wests were without skipper Peter Wilson and his presence in the back-line would have no doubt have made a difference.

Wests held their lead until the 64th minute. Canberra had pressed incessantly but too often looked ragged near goal.

But when a hard Henderson long shot was charged down, the ball deflected to City's Ivan Grulic and from 18 yards out Grulic hammered the gift opportunity into the roof of the net.

Canberra's 5,000 fans went wild. The 10-men had equalised. Imagine, then, the cacophony when City hit the lead in the 82nd minute.

Canberra's striker Roy Stark was held and Yelland had no hesitation in awarding the penalty which Grulic obligingly converted.

Ahead — and just eight minutes remaining. City looked set for their first home win of the season.

Then their home-ground hoodoo struck yet again. A long through ball was gathered by Brian O'Donnell as City's defence moved forward expecting an offside decision.

The linesman didn't flag and Yelland didn't whistle. O'Donnell took his "gift" well and neatly slotted it past Tiled.

It came one minute after normal time. City were completely demoralised. Oh how they wanted to give their fans the season's first victory at home!

But it wasn't to be and once more the League's draw specialists had to be content with sharing the spoils. Their eighth draw from 12 games.

Canberra fought back vigorously

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Charlie Smith walks out

GEORGE CROSS 1 (Cullen 2nd min.) JUVENTUS 0.

Jury, moved winger Jim Pappas into midfield alongside big John Webb and the tigerish Irishman Paul Murphy.

George's star was winger Robert Cullen. He ran at the Juve defence, often being taken on pace alone, and set up many dangerous attacking moves. Many times he was brought down by desperate tackles, but he had enough strength to shrug off strong tackles.

Cross lost full back Derek Barron early, with a foot injury, forcing midfielder Phil Cutajar, who came on as a substitute, to play in the vacant defensive position.

Barron had given Jim Armstrong a chance to score when a pass intended to reach keeper Rice fell to the Juve striker. However, he mis-kicked his shot and it went wide. Later, a "Chico" Miffud back pass stopped short but once again Juve wasted the chance with Watkins slamming the ball past the target.

When the Juve players got going, they played patches of good soccer, with wingers Watkins and John Holton prominent. Bruno Sabbidussi did a lot of running in the midfield and combined well with the attack.

George's game was full of teamwork, and restored breaks in Juve's defence. The pressure the team applied prevented Juve from playing its normal slow-building, short-passing game.

Overall, the game was disappointing, with many scrappy passes and little although — George's jubilant fans didn't seem to mind — KYLE PATTERSON

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Boyle leads West to 2nd place

By FRANK PANGALLO

West Adelaide Hellas' remarkable "rage to riches" climb up the Phillips League table continued at the weekend with a spirited win over South Melbourne Hellas.

They are now in second position behind leaders Marconi, an achievement that would have been foolhardy to consider three weeks ago.

It was West Adelaide's third successive win against fancied opponents.

There was more significance in this important victory.

There was the prestige of whipping their "sister" club in Melbourne, the satisfaction of proving to critics wrong and showing their fans they didn't need "big names" to win matches.

Since John Margaritis left to coach Fitzroy an aura of team spirit, determination and aggressive urgency has enveloped the Adelaide club.

The football played isn't exactly awe-inspiring and attractive but what they lack in flair is made up with tons of tenacity.

It was this approach that unsettled South Melbourne Hellas in a tremendous second-half effort.

South Melbourne looked dangerous early but the touches of brilliance were only spasmodic.

Peter Orlerton, George Campbell and Duncan Cummings were manning up front and appeared to have the measure of West Adelaide's defence.

Midfield provided a four struggle for dominance and although Sam Wright and Billy Rogers had bright moments, it was West Adelaide's Peter Boyle and Neil McGachey who took the initiative late in the game.

West Adelaide obviously still have problems in attack and lack a cohesive and creative destroyer.

Big Dave Pillars played in the central attacking role but despite his height, couldn't penetrate the rugged South Melbourne defence.

As for Alex Zervas, somebody should tell the West Adelaide selection committee that his playing days are over as far as the Phillips League is concerned.

If anything his 45 minutes on the field were a burden rather than a boon.

"White Pale" George Campbell has yet to produce his best but was instrumental in a number of early South Melbourne attacks and played a great part in South's first goal.

In the 29th minute he beautifully set up Orlerton with a great pass across the field, but the bustling Soccer's son couldn't beat goalkeeper Martyn Crook.

A minute later Campbell collected the ball in his own half and sliced a pass to Rogers who cracked a blistering drive which Crook failed to hold. The ball trickled to an unmarked Orlerton who casually tapped it in the net.

But Crook proved to be the hero of the first half and saved magnificently five minutes later when he palmed a deflected header from Orlerton around the upright.

West Adelaide's persistence paid off three minutes from half time when Graham Honeyman went for a run in the area and was brought down trying to force his way past Margaritis Hogenmanouli and Chris Kafetsidis.

Referee Denis Stanley—who controlled the game superbly—awarded a penalty and stopper Con Kampas converted.

West appealed for a penalty three minutes after the break when

WA-Hellas 3 SN-Hellas 1

McGregor appeared to be tripped inside the area, but Stanley wasn't moved.

It heralded the start of another second-half revival but Orlerton could have probably changed the course of the game had he scored from close-range with a header.

Boyle exploded in midfield in another inspired performance and was involved in his side's subsequent goals.

In the 76th minute Boyle lobbed the ball into the area and Honeyman burst through to volley a shot into the roof of the net. Graham Norris came on in the 81st minute, but his rashness and exuberance could have proved tragic for his side.

Without consulting referee Stanley in the usual substitution procedure, Norris dashed onto the field as Boyle was scorching goalwards and it was fortunate the resultant shot went into the side netting.

Had Boyle scored, the goal would have been disallowed.

Norris was booked and, it seemed, so was South goalkeeper John Hansen who had a verbal exchange with Stanley during the incident.

West Adelaide continually swept forward and it was inevitable another goal would come.

Three minutes from full-time Reynolds took a long throw which found the head of Pillars who in turn nodded it down to Boyle on the edge of the goal. Boyle aimed wildly at the goal and the ball managed to reach full-back Peter Tymczyszyn in the box to tuck away his first goal in the Phillips League.

West Adelaide's string resurgence and Adelaide City's new imports should ensure a record crowd next Sunday at Olympic Sports Field.

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scored from a Barnes pass in the 85th minute.

An increasingly desperate Takac tried to revive his team by introducing new blood. Duale replacing Hansen, after Jim Vassala had come on earlier for Rendell who was unable to continue after the tackle by Campbell.

In the 90th minute Phil O'Connor, one of the few Saints to distinguish himself, best everybody once again — only to see his drive rebound from the foot of the left upright.

Mark Trenter made his debut doubly memorable by poaching a cheeky goal in the 93rd minute of play, to set the seal on a win which took the Blues back into the top four.

Trenter, incidentally, is not a striker, but a seemingly able and talented defender. If his efforts in training sessions are any indication.

Last Sunday, drafted into the unaccustomed centre-forward position, he made a good fist of the role assigned to him by coach Gerry Chalidi, keeping at least two defenders constantly occupied with deft footwork, combined with some disconcerting hustle and bustle.

However, a new team is slowly taking shape, and could, in the long term, herald another "golden age" for the Blues.

As for St George, they have bit rock bottom and the only way is up.

KREFT SACKED

Adelaide Juventus sacked its coach Edmund Kreft on Monday. He was replaced by Les Scheinflug, former National team captain who coached Brisbane Lions, Western Suburbs, Croatia Sydney and Marconi.

Kreft's sacking came two days after Juventus had lost 0-3 to Alexander.

HAKOAH THEN ON TRANSFER

Bobby Smith, Luis DeMilo, and Greg Lynch are expected to be on the transfer list to be made public by Hakoh-East's at the weekend.

Smith, a tough, industrious midfielder, will be on the list at his own request and should suit any Phillips League club.

DeMilo is a midfielder who played for Brazilian club Flamengo and for Brazil's 1986 Olympic team.

Lynch, a former Hakoh captain, has recently been on loan to Olympic.

Another player expected to be transfer-listed is midfielder Keith Clapham.



Adelaide Juventus midfielder John Perin (right) goes around Alexander's Jim O'Reilly. Pictures by SAM BELFONTE.

4 games in 9 days

Footscray J.U.S.T. is to play four games in nine days under a reshuffle of Phillips League fixtures.

What's more, J.U.S.T. is to have two of its scheduled Sunday matches changed to Saturday.

J.U.S.T. president Tony Kovac and his committee are tumbling the club's forthcoming matches are: v Alexander at Schiltler Reserve on Saturday, v Hellas in the Phillips Cup at Olympic Park next Wednesday night, v Brisbane City at Schiltler Reserve on Saturday, June 3 and v Brisbane Lions in a postponed match in Brisbane on Monday, June 5.

The game against Alexander, originally set for Olympic Park on Sunday, was moved to Saturday because Victoria plays against Dundee on Sunday.

The game against Adelaide Juventus, scheduled for Sunday, June 12, has also been moved to the Saturday because of Australia's game against Greece.



Andy Bozikas storms towards goal. In the background is Frank Lister.

Alexander, U.S.T. clash on Saturday

By LAURIE SCHWAB

After struggling all season at the bottom of the ladder, Fitzroy Alexander has become a contender for the top four after its dashing victory over Adelaide Juventus which made too many changes to remain an effective team.

Alexander's ambitions will be put to the test when it meets Footscray J.U.S.T. at Schiltler Reserve, Footscray, on Saturday.

Both teams have their sights set on the top four in what is probably the tightest competition in Australian soccer history.

If Jim Campbell, Mike Micevski and Theo Selemdis power Alexander to victory over JUST the team will be well in the running, with 13 points.

And JUST could find itself slipping in near the bottom of the ladder.

However, if JUST wins, and also beats Brisbane Lions in the postponed game in Brisbane on June 5, the Yugoslav outfit would have 14 points — which could be enough for a place in the top four even at this stage.

Meanwhile, South Melbourne Hellas should continue to pressure on league leader Marconi by beating Canberra City at Middle Park on Saturday.

Alexander deserves special praise for its 3-0 victory over Adelaide Juventus, for the win was achieved without captain Pat Bannan who was still out injured, and Branko Buljivic who limped off in the 22nd minute, to be replaced by Mike Micevski.

Buljivic had been in doubt before the game, as he was carrying an injury sustained in the Phillips Cup match against Slavia last Wednesday.

But Bannan and Buljivic could not have done much better than their replacements, Theo Selemdis and Micevski.

These two did all the damaging midfield work and Micevski figured in all three goals.

Whereas Selemdis, Micevski and Ken Taylor were confident, aggressive and creative in midfield, Juventus had no midfield at all.

Coach Edmund Kraft must have regretted using all four imports — Pat McCluskey, Graham Fyfe, John Kosmina and Jim Muir.

As a result of their inclusion, Gary Marocchi and Henry Kolcicki were left back home in Adelaide and John Beal and Brian Northcote were on the bench.

The wholesale changes made good team work almost impossible.



Alexander 3 Adel. Juve 0.

Alexander is undefeated in its last five matches. The results have been: v Olympic 3-1, v Newcastle 2-2, v Brisbane Lions 0-0, v Slavia 6-3 (Cup), v Adelaide Juventus 3-0.

The last four of those results have been achieved under new coach John Margaritis, who was all smiles after last Saturday's game.

Margaritis now has Alexander playing the fast, counter-attack game that lifted the club into third position on the ladder last season.

Most of those counter-attacks were started by passes from Micevski or Selemdis and up front, there was Jim Campbell to finish them off.

Campbell scored two of the goals and the third bounced off his leg from a powerful shot by Micevski, to whom the goal must be credited. One would hardly have given an own goal had the ball bounced off a defender rather than off Campbell.

Alexander was on top in the early minutes, with Gary Cole making a few dangerous runs, and Andy Beal's getting into the penalty area a few times, only to be foiled by Jim Muir or Roger Roman.

But Juventus fought back and had at least half the play up to half time.

Fyfe had a good scoring chance early, but his header from eight metres was held by Peter Blasby.

In the 30th minute the Juventus defence cleared a free kick, but the ball went to Ken Taylor who looked set to launch one of his volley specialties, but unfortunately missed the ball altogether.

Kosmina who, like the other forwards, was starved of midfield support, launched a powerful drive just before half time but Blasby tapped it over the bar in a great save.

Two minutes after half-time an excellent Alexander build-up saw Micevski passing to Campbell who darted around Bugsy Nyskohus and belted the ball high into the net for the first goal.

Three minutes later a high ball from Micevski on the left was missed by both Muir and Frank Lister, leaving Campbell to slide in between them and slice the ball up into the net for a spectacular second goal.

Fyfe skirted around the Alexander defenders inside the penalty area and looked certain to score, but he shot straight at Blasby from 10 metres.

The deflected goal came in the 68th minute.

Micevski hit it hard towards the right side of goal, but the ball hit Campbell who was standing in the way, and the deflection left Romanowicz out of position.

Again, the goal caught great lead-up play by Alexander, featuring Selemdis, Cole Campbell and Micevski.

John Beal and Brian Northcote came on too late as substitutes, but Northcote showed how dangerous he can be when his good header brought another fine save from Blasby.

Boys beaten

WELLINGTON. — Wellington inflicted the first loss of the touring New South Wales schoolboy side when they beat them 2-1 in an under-16 clash at the Basin Reserve on Saturday.

New South Wales, on an eight-match tour ending with a test in Christchurch on May 27, had already comfortably accounted for Auckland, Rotorua and New Plymouth area sides.

Right back Adam Seckold scored for NSW.

Marconi 'not over-rated'

Alexander coach John Margaritis has denied press reports that he called Marconi "over rated."

The claim was attributed to him after West Adelaide Hellas, the club he used to coach, lost 0-2 to Marconi.

"I never said Marconi was over-rated," Margaritis said this week.

"All I said was that if I had had the services of a John Kosmina or a Peter Sharpe that day, we may have beaten Marconi, because I think we had the better of play."

"Nevertheless, Marconi is an excellent team — a good blend of old foxes and young players."

"And it also has a fine coach in Rale Rasic whom I respect greatly."

"However, Marconi is not unbeatable. No team is un-

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Olympic gives new coach a fine draw

By JOHN TAYLOR

It's official. George Gibson is the new coach of Sydney Olympic.

Tom Anderson has been sacked as coach. But only after Olympic had produced their best performance of the season to hold Marconi to a 1-1 draw at Wentworth Park, was the change of coaches officially known.

Olympic president John Constantine revealed after the match that Anderson's contract had been terminated on Monday, May 15—six days before they were due to play Marconi.

Constantine said that his club and Anderson had parted on mutual terms.

Why was Gibson's appointment kept secret?

Constantine replied: "We didn't want to upset the players and Anderson had requested the club make the announcement on the Sunday."

Funny thing that Anderson should have left the shores when Gibson's appointment became officially known.

Anderson left on Sunday for Argentina on a working assignment, but his sack as coach was always on the cards after failing to get results.

Olympic were a rejuvenated team against Marconi.

And for the first time in weeks they played as if they meant business.

Strange that they should save their best effort of the season for

the clash with the competition pacemakers.

Olympic enjoyed the first half honors, but it was Marconi who had by far the best of the second half.

Olympic's Mike Cross missed a crucial last minute goal that would have sent Marconi tumbling to their first defeat.

Cross hesitated with the goal at his mercy and Marconi goalie Allan Maher charged out to block the shot.

But if Cross muffed that one, then Marconi's Peter Sharpe made a terrible blunder when he too missed an open goal in the 19th minute.

Sharpe had all the time in the world to put the ball into the net with nobody to beat. He took too long and his soft shot was cleared off the line by Richie Bell who found himself in the net after making the brilliant save.

Soccer was the winner on the day and the crowd—given as 6702, but thought to be many more—appreciated the free flowing football served up.

Olympic's two Greek guest players Con Davouris and Bill Stravopoulos injected plenty of life to Olympic's attack in the first half.

Stravopoulos, Mike Cross and Alec Jamieson combined effectively in midfield and never allowed Marconi to dictate matters.

The men who caused most con-



Olympic 1 Marconi 1

cern for Olympic were Sharpe and left back Paul Degney.

While Marconi concentrated mainly on breakaways in the first half, Sharpe and Degney certainly came into their own in the second half.

Alec Jamieson put Olympic one goal up in the 40th minute—a goal that should have been saved by Marconi's Allan Maher.

Maher was too far off his line when Jamieson hit the ball from 30 metres. It floated high and suddenly dipped into the net.

The interest was now whether Olympic could continue to take the attack to Marconi.

It wasn't long after half time before Marconi showed their brilliance and Vieri, who had a quiet first half, found his touch.

In the 57th minute, Vieri hit powerfully from point blank range but Olympic's young goalie Gary Meier saved splendidly.

But a minute later Vieri knocked in the equaliser from a Degney cross.

That was the tonic Marconi needed and they turned on some dazzling football.

Olympic managed to brave the Marconi onslaught with a fair share of help from goalie Meier.



Marconi goalkeeper Allan Maher smotheres the ball with Derek Laing (Olympic) appealing. Jimmy Rooney is there to lend a hand.

Referees boycott Avala and Yugal

Sydney referees meant business when they went on strike and refused to handle matches Avala and Yugal clubs were involved in.

The NSW Federation was forced to postpone two games last weekend—Avala versus Marrieville and Yugal versus Arncliffe—because of the referees' strike. Referees president George Pedler said his men would not officiate at any matches these two clubs were involved in because of the crowd riot the weekend before.

The NSW executive met with the referees on Sunday morning but the matter wasn't resolved.

A further meeting will be held this week to try and sort out the problem.

Two goals by livewire Terry Jones in space of 90 seconds set Melita for a well deserved victory over APIA at Garside Park.

Melita won 2-0 in a hard fought but very entertaining game.

APIA were a mere shadow of their mid-week performance against St. George and paid the penalty.

Wingers, Terry Jones and Brian Parker tore gaps in the APIA defence which struggled for most of the first half.

The first goal came in the 14th minute from a curling freekick by Richard Yamine which Jones slot-

ted home from only two metres out.

Ninety seconds later, Jones struck again when he headed into the net a perfect cross by Ian McGovern.

APIA was unlucky not to get a goal in the 24th minute.

David Jack failed to hit a cross bar round into an empty net.

In the second half, APIA lifted their game but their forwards lacked penetration.

State League premiers, Croatia, took only 35 seconds to score their first goal in a 4-2 hammering of Toongabbie at the Sydney Sports ground.

Just after the kick-off, Marion Kovacic received a quick throw from Greg Smith, whose looping cross found Abbi Abonyi storming in on a 20 metre run.

Abonyi met the cross perfectly with his head, leaving the Toongabbie goalkeeper Peter Freeman flat-footed.

Croatia continued to dominate and after 20 minutes grabbed their second goal when Kovacic flicked a ball to Maurice Sullivan, who with the Toongabbie defence appealing for handball, prodded the ball home from close range.

Two minutes later, Kovacic again played a prominent part in the seemingly never-ending as-

NSW State League with JOHN TAYLOR

This week's games

SATURDAY
Melita v Yugal, Garside Park.
SUNDAY
Apia v Bankstown, Lambert Park.
Monaro v Croatia, Marco Polo.
Toongabbie v Avala, Girraween.
M'ville Olympic v Auburn, Arlington Oval.
Sutherland v Manly, Seymour Shaw.
Granville v Arncliffe, Garside Park.

sault on the Toongabbie goal.

His low, hard cross completely deceived the Toongabbie defence and Bob Russell was off hand to glide the ball into the net.

Toongabbie received a temporary respite from the pressure when in the 29th minute on one of their rare attacks Larry Armitage was pulled down by the Croatia keeper Steve Watson and Jim Izatt made no mistake with the penalty.

But Toongabbie's respite was short lived. Just four minutes later Abonyi scored his second and Croatia's fourth goal, after a cross

from Sullivan and a touch by Kovacic found the ex-Socceroo with the goal at his mercy.

The second half was played at a far less hectic pace and in the 72nd minute Toongabbie pulled another goal back when Izatt sent a high ball over the Croatia defence into the path of Armitage. His first-time shot was blocked by Watson but Armitage kept his head and was able to push the ball home from the rebound.

With Monaro's game against Bankstown postponed the win puts Croatia one point ahead of the top of the Rothmans State League.

Andy Tracey starred in Auburn's 2-0 win over Sutherland at Mona Park.

After a scoreless first half Tracey grabbed both Auburn goals.

Sutherland had their chances in the first half when the midfield trio of Steve Meads, Paul Smith and Henry Selridge combined well to put the Auburn defence under severe pressure.

But Auburn quickly found their rhythm after the break.

Nine minutes into the second half Derek Sidney beat two defenders and slipped the ball across the goal mouth for Andy Tracey to hammer it home from ten metres.

Sutherland almost equalised within a minute when Jim Basterfield drove the ball from 30 metres but keeper Paul Griffin pulled off a fine save.

Auburn made it 2-0 in the 77th minute when Tracey collected the ball in his own half, raced upfield unchanged and steered a hard, low shot past Bill Craggs.

It ever Manly threw away a certain two points it was against Granville at Cromer Park.

Instead, Manly had to settle for a point after a scoreless draw at home.

Strikers Mick Banks, Robbie Stuart and Roger Mouttel had enough first half opportunities to sniff a win.

But credit must be given to the Granville defenders, especially Henry Selridge and Dave Sande, for the way they stuck to the job.

The game deteriorated in the second half because of rain and gusty winds.

Yet Manly still could have grabbed the winning goal in the 80th

Cumberland still unbeaten at top

By FRANK PANGALLO

Croatia is making a bid for championship honors and are now second following a strong 3-1 win over Noarlunga United.

It seems Noarlunga's run of good fortune has fizzled out and the once glamor side could soon be the chopping block for other teams unless there is a drastic improvement in midfield.

Victoria's hopes of keeping up with Cumberland went sliding after they went down 2-1 to Para Hills.

Although Victoria was the more positive and elegant side, Para Hills' dogged determination won them the game.

Azzurri bounced back to winning form with a 2-0 victory over hopeless Beograd.

The goals came from veteran Joe Serafini, who is having a great

season in front of goal, and Tim Alder.

Lion's poor finishing in front of goal probably denied them a victory over Polonia.

It was a useful game, and the only interest for yawning spectators were the many chances Lion squandered in front of goal on their way to a 2-1 win.

Peter Kowalczyk scored after only two minutes and shortly before half-time Steve Cagliano made it 2-0 with a great run inside the area.

Polonia managed to pull one back shortly after the break through Gerry Pettit but Lion maintained control.

Placings after six rounds: Cumberland 11 pts, Croatia 7, Lion 7, Azzurri 6, Noarlunga 5, Victoria 6, Elizabeth 5, Para Hills 5, Polonia 5, Beograd 1.

Tribute to Beckenbauer

NEW YORK—More than 70,000 soccer fans, players and dignitaries celebrated Franz Beckenbauer day at Giants Stadium to honor the West German star on the first anniversary since he joined the New York Cosmos.

In a special ceremony before Seattle Sounders-Cosmos game, won by the Cosmos 5-1, Beckenbauer was praised for his contribution to soccer in the United States.

"I am very proud. It is a big honor for me to have this day, and celebrate with the beautiful people, the beautiful crowd in the world. I promise the Cosmos will try very hard to bring the North American championship once again to this stadium and to you," Beckenbauer told the crowd.

Brazilian star and former teammate Pele paid tribute to Beckenbauer with a message and said:

Beckenbauer, inside and outside the field."

In an interview published in the New York Times, Beckenbauer spoke of his move to the New York team.

"It was the best decision in my life to come to New York. Here it is so private. I go places without people recognizing me. In Germany it was bad. I guess that if West German loses the World Cup, they

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The stars to watch

Who will be the big names during the World Cup Finals in Argentina?
This week we profile some of the stars expected to play a key role in Argentina.
More players will be featured next week.



RENE HOUSEMAN — aged 24, Club: Huracan. Terrorised the Italian defence during the 1974 World Cup in Munich with his dazzling wing play. Kicked a tin around the streets of Buenos Aires as a youngster, and is a special hero among the children of **Carlos Luis Menotti** who was coach at Huracan from 1971-74. Argentina will rely heavily on this fast and brave striker.



ROBERTO BETTEGA — 27, Juventus. Suffered from Tuberculosis which threatened to wreck his career. Forced to quit soccer but fought back tenaciously and made his debut for Italy in 1975. Now one of the best strikers in Europe — strong but nimble and devastating in the penalty area. Scored a classic three goals against Finland in a World Cup qualifying match — one with his head, one with his right foot, and one with his left.

Pictured: Jubilant Juventus players do a lap of honor after beating Lanerossi of Vicenza 3-2 to clinch their fifth Italian major league championship in seven years. Players in the foreground, from left: **Tardelli**, **Bettega** and **Cabrin. All three will play for Italy in the World Cup finals.**



LEONARDO CUELLAR — 26, Mexico University. Described as the "brains" of the Mexican team by coach **Jose Antonio**, a flamboyant midfield player with an Afro hair style and bushy beard.



GRZEGORZ LATO — 28, Stal Mielec. Top scorer in the 1974 finals with seven goals, including the one that gave Poland a 1-0 win over Brazil to ensure them third place. Took the place of **Lubanski**, and quickly established himself as a lightning fast striker capable of upsetting the best defences. In Argentina **Lubanski** will be back alongside **Lato**, as will **Andrzej Szarmach** who scored five goals in the 1974 finals.

Record 106 entries

Only 13 countries entered the first World Cup in Uruguay in 1930. For West Germany in 1974 there were a record 97 entries.

But the 1978 World championships have established a new record. A total of 106 countries took part until only 16 are left to contest the finals.

Entries over the years have been:

1930 (Uruguay)	13
1934 (Italy)	29
1938 (France)	26
1950 (Brazil)	28
1954 (Switzerland)	36
1958 (Sweden)	53
1962 (Chile)	57
1966 (England)	71
1970 (Mexico)	73
1974 (W. Germany)	97
1978 (Argentina)	106



RAINER BONHOF — age 26 Club: Borussia Moenchengladbach. Began his career as a central defender with only limited success, being particularly vulnerable in the air. Switched to midfield and was a revelation. Instrumental in West Germany winning the World Cup in 1974 with his driving enthusiasm, inspiring his colleagues when the going was toughest. Powerful player with a thundering shot, particularly from free-kicks.

1974 scorers

All scorers in the 1974 finals in Germany:

- 7—Lato (Poland).
- 5—Szarmach (Poland), Neeskens (Holland).
- 4—Mueller (Germany), Rep (Holland), Edstroem (Sweden).
- 3—Cruyff (Holland), Breitner (Germany), Bajevic (Yugo), Rivelino (Brazil), Houseman (Argentina), Deyna (Poland).
- 2—Overath (Germany), Strelch (East Germany), Jordan (Scotland), Surjak, Karasi (Yugo), Jairzinho (Brazil), Sandberg (Sweden), Sanon (Haiti), Ayala (Argentina).
- 1—Hoffman, Sparwasser (E. Germany), Ahumada (Chile), Cullman, Bonhof, Grabowski, Hoeness (Germany), Lorimer (Scotland), Dzajic, Katalinski, Bogicevic, Oblak, Petkovic (Yugo), Valdomiro (Brazil), Bonev (Bulgaria), Pavoni (Uruguay), de Jong, Krol, Rensenbrink (Holland), Capello, Rivera, Benetti, Anastasi (Italy), Horedia, Babington, Yazaldi, Brindisi (Argentina), Gorgon (Poland), Torstensson (Sweden).

Own goals: Curran (Australia), Krol (Holland), Perumo (Argentina).

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MARCONI HEADLINES

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Can there be any doubt that Marconi will win the 1978 Philips League championship? Hardly!

Last year Marconi missed out only one goal difference. Champion Hakoah was three goals better than Marconi yet Marconi beat Hakoah 4-2 and drew 1-1 in their two league games.

Since the start of the 1977 season, Marconi has lost only five games — and one of them only on penalties to Brisbane City in the Philips Cup final.

The other losses were also last year, to Adelaide Juventus 0-4 and 0-1, to Canberra 0-1 and to Brisbane Lions 0-1.

At the start of this season, captain Jimmy Rooney said: "Marconi should win something this year. I feel it in my Scottish bones."

But even Rooney would not have imagined that Marconi would be leading the league by such a big margin so early in the season.

All the major challengers have already crashed to the Marconi machine — Western Suburbs 2-6, South Melbourne Hellas 0-3, Brisbane Lions 0-3, to name just a few.

Sound planning and stability are Marconi's main virtues.

Rale Rasic rejoined as manager-coach in 1976 and has moulded a sound team through patience and expert judgement.

With the exception of Mark Jankovic, bought from St. George, the present team is the same as the one that played for most of 1977.

Other clubs, meanwhile have had player turnovers of varying degrees.

Marconi is doing big things

of the playing field as well.

The first stage of a million-dollar improvement programme to Marconi Oval has been completed, with the opening of a new grandstand.

Marconi actually owns the land on which it is situated — something of which few Australian clubs can boast.

A professionally-produced magazine-programme is being produced for every home game and the search is on for the "supporter of the year".

The winner will get a silver ring featuring the Marconi club's badge.

Marconi also has probably the most progressive junior network in Australia and features a back-up coaching staff of Jim Fraser and David Keddie to assist Rasic. Both are former Socceros.

Success is never an accident. In Marconi's case it is the result of hard work and sound planning by a committee led by president Tony Labbozzetta.

Carlo Zaccariotto and Frank Labbozzetta laid the groundwork for what is Marconi, 1978.

Of course there have been

other successes in the past — the Inter-City Cup in 1972, the NSW grand final victory of 1973 and the Rosso Antico Cup triumph early this year.

Rosso Antico is Marconi's sponsor. The Italian aperitif firm is backing Marconi with \$200,000 over three years. It is the richest sponsorship in the league.

Marconi was born in 1960 as part of the youth centre of the Marconi social club.

Mr Felice Zadro, who was then president of the youth centre, was the pioneer and promoter, together with Lorenzo Sartoretto, Mario Torti, Antonio Sartoretto, Antonio Fornasier, Angelo Castarin, Dennis Munari and Giuseppe Cessarolo.

The team's first coach was Mario Fanti, now in Italy.

In 1961, with A. Fornasier as president and A. Del Caro as coach, Marconi played in the Southern District Soccer Association, coming second.

In 1963 Marconi became a member of the NSW Federation, leaving a team of juniors in the Southern District and winning the first division amateur competition in its first federation year.

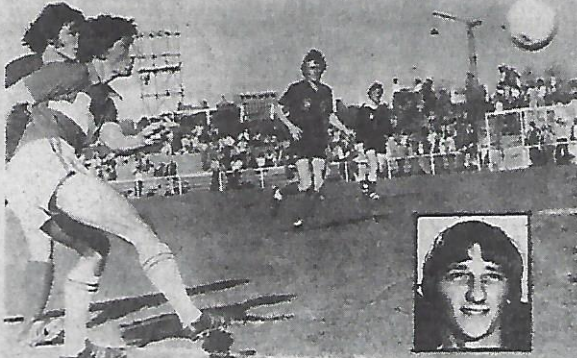
It also won the amateur cup, beating Sydney Austral at Wentworth Park in front of 15,000 spectators.

Under new coach Mario Danielli, Marconi joined the



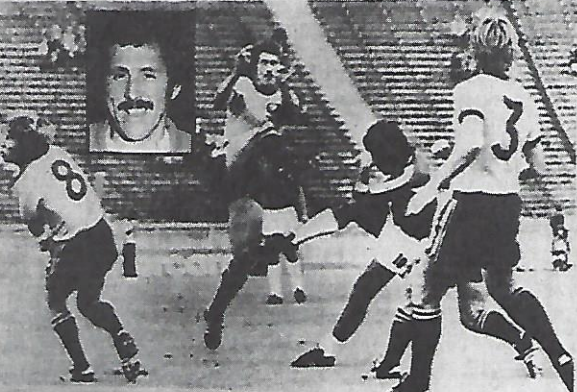
JIMMY ROONEY, 32, one of the legendary figures of Australian soccer. Capped 46 times for Australia, and has also represented Victoria and N.S.W. Victorian player of the year while with Essendon Lions in 1968, and Australian player of the year last season. Previous clubs: Peterborough United

(England), Montrose (Scotland), Essendon Lions, Prague, A.P.I.A. Rooney's pictured showing typical versatility against his former A.P.I.A. team—left, Billy Rogers, now with South Melbourne Hellas. Joined Marconi 1978.



PETER SHARNE, 22, recent performances have firmly established ro-ket Sharne as one of the most feared goalscorers in the Philips League. Against South Melbourne Hellas and St. George he clinically dissected his unfortunate opponents with sheer speed and skill — and he'll do that to many more full backs before the season is over. Capped once for Australia, he is in the Australian squad

against Greece and should firmly establish himself as an international regular — a new Abony! Previous clubs: Landvale Juniors, Liverpool City and South Districts representative sides. Joined Marconi 1973. Sharne is pictured in action against J.U.S.T.'s Jim Kondarlos (left) and Zoran Illoski (centre).

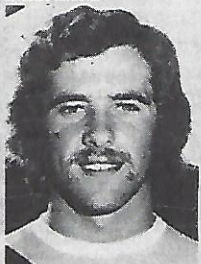


RAY RICHARDS, 32, like Rooney, this man is a giant of Australian soccer. Capped 32 times, Richards the long-throw specialist is also a successful businessman, with two sports stores in Sydney and one in Brisbane. His business commitments kept him away from Marconi early in the season but he came back as good as ever. Has been playing as a defensive midfielder or back four man lately, but still explosive when he decides to come forward.

Like Rooney, he played in the 1974 World Cup finals and in 1972 it was Richards who marked Pale out of the game when Australia met Santos at Sydney Sports Ground. Joined Marconi in 1969. Previous clubs: Latrobe (Old), Hollandia (Old), Sydney Croatia. Richards is pictured in action against Reims of Chile during the scoreless draw in the World Cup finals.



PETER BROGAN, centre back, big, strong defender who came up through the ranks and broke into the senior squad this year.



DRAGAN TOMASIC, first appearance in the senior squad this year.



DAVID POLZOT, like Brogan and Tomasic, has just broken into the senior squad.



IVO PRSKALO, 30, by far the best sweeper in the Philips League. Whereas so many defenders simply belt the ball upfield, Prskalo epitomises Marconi's skilful approach. It's not surprising that Prskalo's favorite player is another skilful sweeper, the great Franz Beckenbauer. Ivo hopes to become a coach in Yugoslavia when he finishes playing. Joined Marconi in 1976 from Yugoslavia where he played 380 first team matches in 15 years with Velez Mostar, and was also a Yugoslav youth representative. Ivo is pictured trying in vain to prevent J.U.S.T.'s Mendo Ristovski from shooting.

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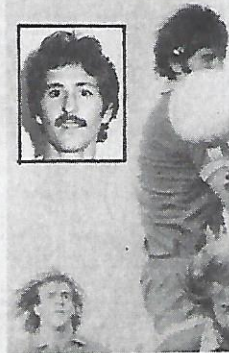
PAUL DEGNEY, 25, this dynamic left back has finally been selected to an Australia squad (against Greece) and the honor is long overdue. It's impossible to stop him once he storms down the flank — and those runs are often capped by a goal, as is the case in the picture which shows him scoring one



BERTIE MARIANI, 22, tall, strong, strikes as well. For example, it's not unusual to back the opposition. A moment later he'll be at goal. Many feel Mariani should have been Greece's coach, as should Jankovic. Plays and under 18 representative sides. Joined Marconi in a heading duel with South II above Billy Rogers. At bottom left is his



GARY BYRNE, 23, was Marconi's best games due to injury. So says Jimmy Rooney. Byrne is fast, tireless, but above all extra midfield. However, he's been named at full back in the last two games. Capped 22 times and will beat Peter Wilson's record of 62 caps. Previous clubs: Camden Juniors, Southern conit in 1971. Gary is pictured in action at J.U.S.T.



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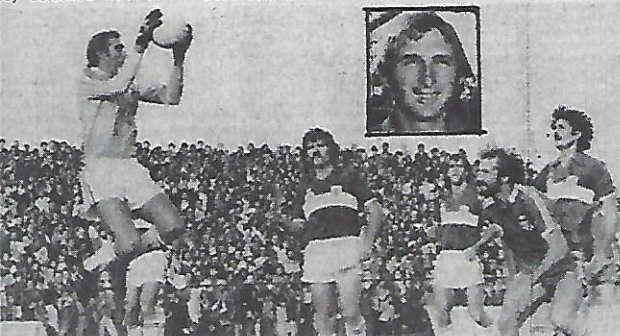
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second division in 1984 and on the C.O.N.I. Cup, beating MA reserves 2-0. In 1985, due to new rules introduced by the Federation, Marconi returned to amateur ranks, but the following year, under coach Joe Vavary, the club came back to the second division. In 1987, Marconi soccer club became an independent body detached from the

social club, but still with the Marconi club as its headquarters.

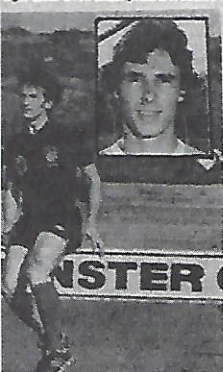
Some of Marconi's stars of the past include: Les Scheinflug (also Prague, Australia, NSW), Johnny Giacometti (APIA), John Roche (Australia), Alfredo Moschen (Lazio, Palermo), George Kinnell (Sunderland, Juventus Melbourne, Western Suburbs), Alan Griffiths

(Sutherland), Rudi Danajevits (Czech under 23 International); Bob Connolly (Melbourne), Peter Wilson and Max Tolson (South Coast and Australia). The Marconi social club's first committee in 1958-59 was: O. Michelini (president), F. Benedetti, A. Passotto, A. Zullani, R. Sartor, F. Zadro, V. Fiorelli, L. Zanprugno, R. Bagatella, A. Benedetti.

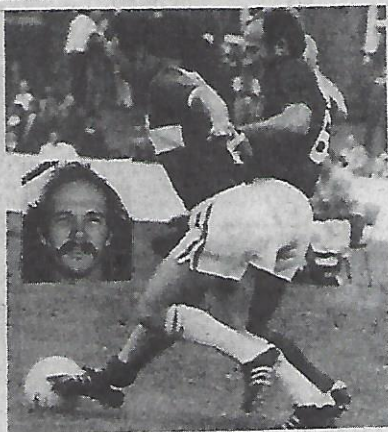


ALLAN MAHER, 27, national team goalkeeper with 13 caps, was a member of Australia's 1974 World Cup squad, although he didn't play in any of the final matches. Nothing short of brilliant, Maher is now widely known as "Spider" because he seems to have eight arms when under pressure. Joined Marconi first

grade 1975. Previous clubs: North Rocks Juniors, Sutherland, Granville, Western Suburbs. Allan is pictured making a save in the final Melbourne Hellas this year. Other players, from left: Paul Degney, Mark Jankovic, Billy Rogers (Hellas), Bertie Mariani.



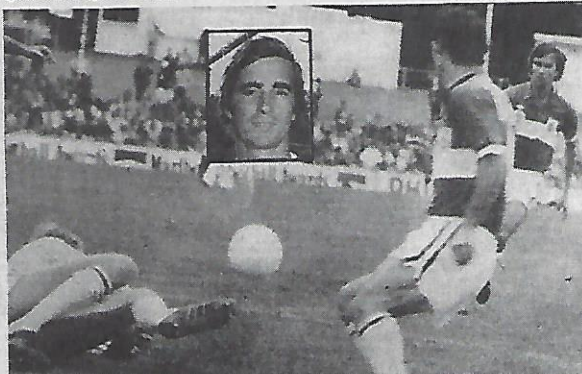
For this season before he missed a few to should know what he's talking about. Intelligent in building up the game from back for Australia's games against Greece, many years ahead of him, he could well rival from England at the age of 11. Yet under 16s, Sutherland. Joined Marconi another midfield star, Joe Piccone of



BARRY JONES, 25, fast, aggressive and skilful full back who, like Degney on the other side, loves to go forward and support attacks. Barry is yet another local boy. He was a Southern District representative player for six years, played for NSW under 21 and also the full N.S.W. team. Previous clubs: Villawood East, Villawood Diamonds, Villawood Bombers. Joined Marconi third grade in 1989. Barry is pictured in action against Mirko Rujovic of J.U.S.T.



takes part in all the other facets of play him next to a centre back, helping turn kick at the other end, heading or shooting included in the Australian squad for the Southern Districts under 14, under 15 and third grade team in 1972. Mariani is also called "Stuart Baxter", rising high in the club.

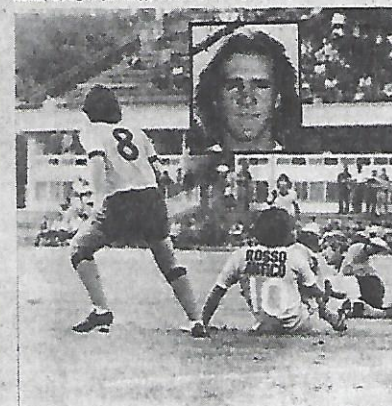


JOHN RUSSELL, 27, centre back, bought from APFA last year when Les Hucker was injured, and quickly established himself as the regular partner for Ivo Prskalo. Has one cap for Australia and the talent to

deserve further selection. John is pictured (far right) as Allan Maher makes a save. Also in the picture is Jimmy Rooney.



ROBERTO VIERI, 32, the smartest, most skilful and most experienced footballer in Australia. Few would argue the point. Vieri was a member of Italy's 1970 World Cup squad and has played in the company of such players as Rivera, Anastasi, Del Sol, Amarildo, Bot, Haller, Zigoni, Schnellinger, Hamrin, Domenghini, Mazzola, Suarez... need one go on? After guesting with Marconi last year, he's now on a two-year contract. Previous clubs: Prato, St. George, Fiorentina, Sampdoria, Juventus, Roma, Bologna (all Italy), Metros Croatia (Canada).



MARK JANKOVIC, striker, bought from St. George for about \$7000 early this year and has justified Rale Rasic's faith in him by shooting to the top of the State League goalscorers' list. Vieri says of him: "He plays with his head. If he were in Europe, I guarantee he would have success". Jankovic is the ideal team player — running back to win the ball

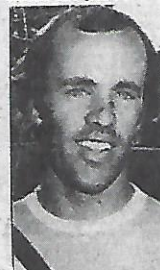
and to defend, running off the ball extremely well and setting up chances for others when he can't score himself. He's pictured in action as Alexander players desperately clear the ball out of defence. Players pictured, from left: Jim Campbell, Bertie Mariani, Pat Bannon, Jankovic, Jim O'Reilly.



FABIO FABRIANESI, goalkeeper, joined from Wollongong last year as understudy for Allan Maher. Was recently loaned to N.S.W. State League leader Inter-Monaro for a short period.



RICHEL WILLIAMS, 22, winger. Richie is young and determined and it shouldn't take him long to get a regular place in the team. Previous clubs: Bankstown, Granville, Southern Districts. Joined Marconi third grade, 1972.



STEWART SELVAGE, mid-fielder, joined from Yugal early last year and specialises in marking dangerous opponents out of the game, as he did to Rudi Gnavi in the game against St. George. On top of that, he also has the ability to dominate midfield play the way Jimmy Rooney does.



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SUNSHINE V CROATIA
3 Kokoska (Cro)
2 R. Nelson (Suns)
1 Mussel (Suns)
GREEN GULLY V ALBION
3 Cain (Gully)
2 McCarthy (Gully)
1 Donaldson (Hakoah)
RINGWOOD V HAKOAH
3 Carnaby (Ring)
2 Verniers (Ring)
1 Owens (Hak)

JEUNVENT V GEORGE CROSS

Postponed

SLAVIA V ALTONA
3 Short (Slav)
2 Williams (Slav)
1 Brown (Alt)

FRANKSTON V MAKEDONIA
3 Adams (Frank)
2 McGregor (Frank)
1 Petrovski (Mak)

Leading votegetters are —
5 Whiteside (Hak)
4 Williams (Slav)
7 Cumming (Cro), Denys (Gully), Sabidussi (Juve), Walker (Juve), Dixey (Suns)
6 Taylor (Alt), Irvine (Frank), Mitaud (Geo), Zvendorn (Slav), Bernard (Mak)
5 Kerr (Cro), Kneebie (Cro), Kokoska (Cro), McConnell (Geo), McCarthy (Gully) Carnaby (Ring), Coulson (Ring)
4 McCusky (Ley), Oler (Ley), Gramsberger (Alt), Gardiner (Cro), Peterson (Frank), Cain (Gully), Short (Slav), McRobert (Suns)

Leading goalkeepers —
5 Kneebie (Cro)
4 McCormack (Gully), Cumming (Cro), Webster (Frank)
3 Taylor (Alt), Murphy (Cro), MacGregor (Frank), Eadie (Frank), Reed (Geo), Bennie (Gully), Clary (Hak), Paton (Slav), D. Nelson (Suns)

It was an exciting, thoroughly entertaining game, full of drama and personal endeavour.

Robbie Nelson, scorer of Sunshine's goal, had a great first half and in the second half he prevented a goal by clearing desperately after goalkeeper John Scholten had dropped the ball after falling.

Steve Ellis and Nick Lowe, Sunshine's powerful centre backs, beat Carl Gilder until the last few minutes when he scored a goal and had a few other shots.

Hugh Howe had an interesting tussle with former Sunshine man Tommy Cumming, with honors about even. Cumming's fault was that he overdid the dribbling.

Frank Mussel and Terry Banagan, the other two midfielders, worked hard and Ray Pocock pounced on every ball and was alert to every opening.

Howard Andrews did great midfield work for Croatia until he tired in the second half but Ken Murphy who had been a little quieter early, started doing more to compensate.

Grant Smart had yet another excellent game at right back and Steve Kokoska was unbeatable at centre back while coming forward for corners and free kicks.

Billy Vojtek was the unluckiest man of the match, twice hitting the woodwork in the first half and getting tangled up inside the penalty area when he could have scored after Scholten had spilled an attempt by Cumming.

Jim McRobert could have scored for Sunshine in the first half when he found the ball unexpectedly at his feet after a slip by a Croatia defender. So surprised was McRobert that he hit the ball almost as an afterthought, and Frank had no trouble saving.

Vojtek, who had hit the post earlier, side-footed the ball against the cross-bar while in mid-air to meet a cross from Gilder in the 35th minute.

Then came Sunshine's goal.

From a corner conceded by Frank, who tipped a Nelson free kick over the crossbar, Mike Dixey headed the ball down to Nelson who smashed it low into the net.

Alan Kerr, who plays for Victoria against Dundee on Sunday, was sent off by referee Tony Beazleigh for dissent after Beazleigh had warned him over a foul.

The Sunshine team was not at full strength due to the absence of injured winger David Nelson, while Croatia is obviously missing injured Eddy Kneebie.

—LAURIE SCHWAB.



Sunshine City — back row (left to right) — Dixey, Scholten, Contini, Howe, Gilmour. Middle row — Nierobisz, Piotrowski, Parkin, Laing, R. Nelson, Walsh (coach). Seated — Banagan, Cook, Pocock, McRobert, D. Nelson. Missing — Lowe, Mussel, Ellis.

Victorian State League with KYLE PATTERSON

Mandais goes, Clarey angry

RINGWOOD CITY 1 (Garthwaite 68th min.) HAKOAH 1 (Craig 21st min.)

Ringwood lost Adams in the 15th minute. He overplayed from full back, but was challenged when he had the ball. The ball went into touch, and Adams thought it was his throw-in. However, the linesman awarded the throw to Hakoah, and Adams said something to the linesman.

Referee Bob Henderson consulted his linesman, then decided to send Adams off. Ringwood officials complained with Henderson, and secretary Terry Clarke had his name taken.

The sending-off helped Ringwood in a way. Before Adams' dismissal, the side had been giving the ball away a lot in midfield and at the back but the players seemed to lift themselves and put more effort into their game, knowing they had a fight on their hands.

It was effort alone that got Ringwood the point. Midfield general Willie Coulson had a bad day, and Richard Plumb was hard-ly over in the play. Just before the end, Bunce brought on two defenders — Benny de Bruykere and Don Paeman — for midfielders Coulson and Greg Schott to make sure Hakoah didn't get a late goal and steal the two points.

Basically, Hakoah isn't playing as a team, and when you can't beat the bottom side playing with 10 men, there's definitely something wrong.

Ringwood, however, should be heartened by the attitude the players showed, but will have to tighten up their distribution, which at times was abysmal.

—KYLE PATTERSON.

Eric Gillespie to transfer?

FRANKSTON 1 (MacGregor) MAKEDONIA 1 (Blasovski).

Frankston: Petersen, V. Bannan, Irvine, Adams, Williamson, G. Bannan, Parrot, Fox, Eadie, MacGregor, Tulloch, Makedonia, Laumets, Petrovski, Glasston, Blasovski, Hooper, Glenon, Sa veski, McClymont, Bernard, McMillan, Hallan (Bech, 80th min.)

For the first time in 2½ years, Eric Gillespie was missing from the Frankston team.

The tall defender is in dispute with the club over his contract, but rumour has it that Gillespie wants a transfer to a Phillips League club.

Naturally, Frankston wouldn't want to lose the services of the consistent centre back.

Overall, the match had the atmosphere of a cup tie. The game was watched by one of the biggest crowds seen at a Frankston home game in years and the teams supplied the goods, playing fast and hard with plenty of excitement.

A draw was a fair result, as both teams had chances to score and general play was even.

Dragon Blasovski did the trick again by scoring a vital goal venturing upfield from centre half. The previous week he scored the winner against Ringwood.

Gordon MacGregor also gave a repeat performance, taking his goalscoring tally to three from the last two games.

MacGregor's goal in this game was a beautiful header from an Alan Parrot cross in the same situation earlier in the season, MacGregor probably wouldn't have headed over the bar, but now he's regained confidence and is justifying the faith coach Brian Edgley had in him.

Makedonia is still to find a new coach. Caretaker coach Eric Lesbirel has indicated that he doesn't want the position permanently. Makedonia has taken five out of a possible six points from Lesbirel.

State League team of week

Number of appearances in brackets.

LAUMETS (1) (Mak)	PETROVSKI (1) (Mak)	KOKOSKA (2) (Cro)	CARNABY (1) (Ring)	VERNIERS (1) (Ring)
MCCARTHY (2) (Gully)	R. NELSON (1) (Suns)	SHORT (2) (Slav)	SHORT (2) (Slav)	WILLIAMS (3) (Slav)
LAING (1) (Suns)	MACGREGOR (1) (Frank)			

This week's games

There will be no State League games this weekend because of the Dundee v Victoria game, which will be played this Sunday, May 28. The league will resume as normal the weekend after (June 3 and 4).

Rothmans goalie of the week

The Rothmans goalkeeper of the week is PETER LAUMETS of Makedonia. The leading keeper will receive \$250. Progress: Whiteside (Hak) 5, Denys (Gully), van der Poel (Alt), Peterson (Frank), Laumets (Mak)

Need a goalie?

Clubs looking for a good goalkeeper have the choice of Billy Johnson or Terry Hawke.

Johnson is still looking for a club after a dispute with Sunshine City. Hawke, 28, has decided to get back into action after a lay-off.

He can be contacted at 222 0044

Altona seeks players

SLAVIA 2 (Aldridge 30th min., Paton 60th min)

ALTONA 0

Slavia: Nuri, Thompson, Westley, Zvendorn, Miller, Short, Whiteside injured (Turner halftime), Train, Paton, Aldridge, Williams.

Altona: Masseni, Plessa, Gramsberger, Ackers, Train, Pedley, Walters, Brown, Banagan, Little, Taylor.

Slavia helped itself to two points thanks to a lack-lustre performance by Altona.

Gone from the Altona team is the fighting spirit that gained the club a good start to the season. Altona has now lost three in a row, conceding eight goals in the process.

In 22 games last season the team conceded only 17.

Altona coach Joe Wilson admits the writing is on the wall.

"We just haven't got the depth or strength needed for the State League," he said. "Some of the players realise there's no competition for places, so they don't worry if they don't perform well. However, the club is now going to go looking for players."

Wilson added that he was disappointed with the way the spirit had drained out of the team in recent weeks.

Slavia put on a workmanlike performance and was never tested.

Steve Short, who escaped suspension at the tribunal last Wednesday night, switched from full back to midfield and played a good game.

Chris Whiteside, who joined Slavia from Irish club Bangor six weeks ago, showed some good touches, but had to go off at half time with an injury.

Altona's problems worsened when Con Ignatidis failed to turn up at the ground. He was disappointed that he was selected on the bench but this action will not please coach Wilson who says he has no time for players like that.

Hans van der Poel, the 1977 Rothmans 'Soccer Action' goalkeeper of the year, was dropped. It was a mutual decision made by Wilson and the out of form keeper. His place was taken by Dennis Blasovski.

Slavia played its best spell in the last 30 minutes when it pressed forward and had Altona at sixes and sevens.

Jim Williams was a lively rider on the wing, and Short often came forward.

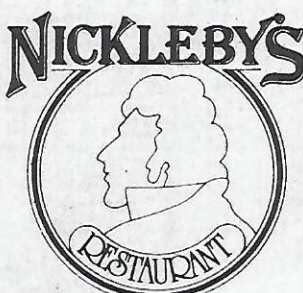
However, many Slavia supporters thought the side played better in the first half of the club's Phillips Cup game against Alexander (see report page 4) than in this game.

Player of the week

STEVE KOKOSKA of Croatia is the State League player of the week. He wins a dinner for two at Nickleby's of Carlton.

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UNDER 9										
	W	D	L	F	A	P				
Meadow Pk 'A'	5	0	12	0	11					
Essendon 'A'	5	0	18	3	10					
Melton	4	1	12	4	9					
Albion	4	2	13	4	7					
Sun. Hls 'A'	2	1	7	2	9					
Warrburton	3	0	3	14	6					
Messifol	1	4	4	11	3					
Sun. Hls 'B'	1	4	4	11	3					
Sun. City	1	0	5	12	2					
S. Gully	0	0	5	18	0					

UNDER 10										
	W	D	L	F	A	P				
Green Gully	5	0	21	4	10					
Albion 'A'	5	0	12	5	10					
Essendon Hls	4	1	12	3	8					
Melton	3	1	12	11	7					
Arden	3	0	3	12	6					
Kallit	2	1	3	12	5					
Albion	2	0	4	11	9					
Warrburton	2	0	4	13	4					
Messifol	2	0	4	16	4					
Albion 'B'	0	0	4	12	7					

UNDER 11 'A'										
	W	D	L	F	A	P				
Sunshine Hls	5	0	19	3	10					
Kallit	3	2	10	4	8					
Essendon	4	1	12	4	7					
West Utd 'A'	3	2	14	6						
Albion	2	0	3	10	7					
Melton	2	0	4	15	4					
Arden	1	1	3	14	3					
Warrburton	1	1	4	18	3					
Sunshine City	1	0	4	15	2					

UNDER 11 'B'										
	W	D	L	F	A	P				
West Utd 'B'	4	0	12	6						
West Newport	3	2	14	6						
Green Gully	3	1	15	7						
Albion	3	1	2	10	7					
Arden	3	1	2	10	7					
Arden	2	0	3	12	8					
Sunbury	2	0	3	18	4					
Essendon 'B'	2	0	3	20	2					
St. Marks	1	0	5	22	2					

UNDER 12										
	W	D	L	F	A	P				
Albion	5	0	19	2	10					
Kallit	4	0	11	5	9					
West Newport	3	2	1	17	5					
Arden	3	1	12	7						
Melton	3	1	2	14	7					
Sunshine City	2	2	8	7	6					
Sunshine Hls	2	1	3	7	5					
Green Gully	1	4	6	20	3					
Albion 'A'	0	2	4	18	3					
Kallit City	0	2	5	13	1					

UNDER 13 'A'										
	W	D	L	F	A	P				
Sunshine Hls	5	0	18	0	10					
Albion 'A'	5	0	29	4	10					
Green Gully	3	1	17	11	7					
Geelong	3	0	19	14	6					
Wth. Geelong	3	0	21	9	6					
Hamlyn Rangers	3	0	15	17	6					
Sunbury	2	0	4	17	7					
Western Subs.	2	0	3	11	4					
Sun. City	1	1	16	20	3					
Ball Park	0	6	4	41	0					

UNDER 13 'B'										
	W	D	L	F	A	P				
Essendon	4	0	30	8						
Albion 'B'	3	1	10	7						
Geelong	3	1	17	11	7					
St. Albans	3	0	9	6						
Messifol	2	1	11	7						
Albion	1	3	16	3						
Richmond 'B'	1	0	2	1						
Kallit	1	0	3	11	2					
Wth. Reservoir	1	0	4	12	2					

CENTRAL										
UNDER 9										
	W	D	L	F	A	P				
Brighton	5	0	30	1	10					
Chelsea	3	1	2	3	7					
Cauffield	3	0	2	10	8					
Doncaster 'B'	2	2	1	3	6					
Devon	2	2	2	4	12					
Springvale	2	1	2	3	10					
Geelong	1	4	1	18	3					
Mordialloc	1	0	4	5	2					
Seaford 'B'	0	2	3	2	7					

UNDER 10										
	W	D	L	F	A	P				
Springvale	5	1	20	11						
Brighton	5	1	30	4	11					
Doncaster	4	1	25	2	7					

UNDER 11										
	W	D	L	F	A	P				
Brighton	5	0	30	1	10					
Chelsea	3	1	2	3	7					
Cauffield	3	0	2	10	8					
Doncaster 'B'	2	2	1	3	6					
Devon	2	2	2	4	12					
Springvale	2	1	2	3	10					
Geelong	1	4	1	18	3					
Mordialloc	1	0	4	5	2					
Seaford 'B'	0	2	3	2	7					

UNDER 12										
	W	D	L	F	A	P				
Brighton	5	0	30	1	10					
Chelsea	3	1	2	3	7					
Cauffield	3	0	2	10	8					
Doncaster 'B'	2	2	1	3	6					
Devon	2	2	2	4	12					
Springvale	2	1	2	3	10					
Geelong	1	4	1	18	3					
Mordialloc	1	0	4	5	2					
Seaford 'B'	0	2	3	2	7					

UNDER 9										
	W	D	L	F	A	P				
Devon	4	0	2	10	4					
Seaford	3	0	2	14	9					
Cauffield	2	1	2	21	9					
Seaford 'B'	2	0	4	18	4					
Hawthorn	1	0	5	4	12					
Malvern 'B'	1	0	5	3	32					
East Bentleigh	0	0	6	2	31					

UNDER 10										
	W	D	L	F	A	P				
Sth. Melb. 'A'	5	0	1	29	5					
Melbourne	4	1	0	16	4					
Clarendon	4	1	1	13	7					
Clarendon	3	0	2	11	7					
East Bentleigh	2	2	7	14	6					
Sth. Melb. 'B'	1	1	3	14	8					
Sth. Geelong	1	0	4	8	10					
Scarbrough	0	2	3	14	2					
Moorabie	0	0	5	4	23					

YARRA										
UNDER 9 'A'										
	W	D	L	F	A	P				
Clayton	6	0	27	3	12					
Rossam 'A'	4	1	20	4	9					
Melbourne	3	1	24	3	7					
Box Hill 'A'	3	1	2	11	6					
Wth. Dandy	2	0	2	11	6					
Malvern	2	0	3	14	4					
Greenborough	1	0	4	12	2					
East Bentleigh	1	0	4	14	2					
Ethan	0	5	0	26	6					

UNDER 10										
	W	D	L	F	A	P				
Doncaster	4	0	13	2	8					
Sunbury	4	0	10	18	6					
Meadow Pk 'B'	3	1	5	7	7					
Diamond Ct.	2	0	2	10	4					
Wessex	2	0	2	10	4					
Rossam 'B'	1	0	4	16	2					
Kallit	1	0	2	1	6					
Albion 'B'	1	0	2	1	12					

Essendon 'B'	4	0	2	22	11
Northam	3	1	2	11	12
Bundoora	3	1	2	12	14
Diamond Ck.	3	0	3	20	10
Eltham	2	1	3	19	14
Fawkner 'B'	1	1	4	2	24
Coll. City 'B'	1	0	5	4	32
Greensboro	0	0	6	1	29
UNDER 11					
	W	D	L	F	A
Fawkner 'A'	4	1	0	13	2
St Melb. 'A'	3	3	0	15	7
Meadow Pk	4	0	2	12	6



● Dennis Boland in action — as seen through the camera of SAM BELFONTE. Top centre: beaten by a Bertio Mariani header. Bottom, second from left: saving over Ray Richards.

ZIKA NIKOLIC



Prele nedelje JUST je bio slobodan, jer je put za Brisbane odlozen za kraljicinu rođendani. Pošto niza povreda i napornog putovanja, ovaj odmor je dobrodošao za igrača. Trener Đirković je iskoristio predah za jednu laku trenin utakmicu protiv drugog tima JUST-a, koji je pregezan sa 12:0. Svi su dali po neki gol, pa čak i Dragan Vasić, koji je počeo da gubi poverenje u sebe.

Iduće subote JUST igra na svom igralistu protiv Aleksandra, koji se vraća u formu. Ova će biti zanimljiva utakmica, jer je važna za oba kluba. Predigru, koja počinje u 1 sat po podne, igraju juniori JUST-a i Nunawadinga za Kup ispod 14 godina. Oba tima treniraju bivše JUST-ove zvezde. "Plave" malisane trenira Pepe Duglino, a Nunawading Emilio Marinovic.

DRŽAVNA LIGA

Escondido/Crazilia je izgubila prvi bod posle sedam kola, dok Makedonija umalo nije naneli prvi poraz Frankstonu, koji u stopu prati lidera. Jedno je sigurno da se ni Makedonija ne odriče prvog mesta, iako je loše počela sezonu. U prošlosti se pokazalo da klubovi, koji se zahuktaju na početku, izgube dah u završnici.

BEZ CELETA NEMA GOLOVA

Drugi tim JUST-a opet je pao sa prvog mesta, uglavnom svojim krivicom, iako Moreland nije los tim. Zbog nepotrebne vraćanja lopte svom golmanu mogli su da prime dva gola, ali i jedan je bio dovoljan da izgube dva važna boda. Da nije bilo ovih decakih pogresaka Moreland ne bi primisao JUST-ov gol. Navala je podbacila, jer je navika da koristi Celetovu brzinu, koja razbija svaku odbranu. Očekuje se da će Cele Taleviski biti zdrav za utakmicu sa St. Albansom, koja se igra iduće subote u St. Albansu.

PROVIZIONALNA LIGA

KEYSBOROUGH — INTER 1:0 (0:0). Inter iz Williamstowna je imao više od igre, ali se vratilo kuci bez jedinog boda. Navala se nije dobro snasila na klizavom terenu. Bol od ostalih u intervjuu timu: Karlo Madic, Zvonko Bartol i Zvonko Macanovic. Sastav Inter: Milo Karalić, Zarko Stefanovic, Franjo Drodzdek, Karlo Madic, Mirko Beker, Ante Celinic, Zvonko Macanovic, Stjepan Beluric, Slimo Dragovic, Zvonko Bartol, Luj Bubuj (Milorad Milosavljevic).

CENTRAL ALTONA — BULLLEEN 6:3 (3:1). Pobeda je mogla biti mnogo veća u korist Central Altona, da se odbrana nije uspravala kod rezultata 5:1. Dva jeftina primljena gola pokrivala su golaznike, koji mogu odlučivati na kraju pretnosti. Po blatinjavom terenu navala se je odlična snasila. Sufiralo se iz svake pozicije, ali svaka lopta nije mogla da uleti u mrežu. Najpogubniji i najbolji igrač ove utakmice bio je Đorđe Markovski. Probudio se posle dugog sna. Postigao je 4 gola u 10, 35, 55 i 80 minuta. Ostala dva su dali Lazar Lazarević u 25 i Tundjovski u 47. minuta. Sastav Central Altona: Surbevski, Stankovski, Filipovski, Seroški, Naumovski, Deruzovski, Lazarević, Kekovski (Taleviski), Markovski, Tundjovski, Stojevski, Sudija je: Đorđe Markovski. Iduće subote Central Altona igra u Royal Parku.

Carlton/Sibija je vraćena u drugu provizionalnu ligu. Ispravila je greška disciplinirani odbrana, koji je bez podataka i saslušanja donio odluku bez predavanja u sportskim krugovima. Umesto da se pozove na odgovornost Melton, koji je prodao alkohola pica, što je stvorilo ružnu atmosferu, kaznjeni su igri ni krivi ni dužni.

JOS JEDNA POBEDA "PLAVIH" IZ GEELONGA

JUST iz Geelonga je postigao prošle nedelje sedam uzastopnu pobedu, koja ga je dovela na prvo mesto. Pobediti je dosadašnji lider Broadmeadows sa 4:2 (11:2). "Plavi" su otvorili seriju golova preko Caneta Filipovskog, ali su gosti posle toga preuzeli inicijativu i poverili sa 2:1. Tek 20 minuta pre kraja, kada je Vukasin Perica zamenio povredjenog Filipovskog, došlo do prekida u igri. Perica je uspeo da izjednači. Drugi Dvije pobjede na 3:2, a Zoran Biskupovski postavlja konačan rezultat 4:2 za JUST. Sastav JUST-a: Vlado Kolak, Boris Popovski, George Ambroz, Ismet Vrbavac, Ivica Kolak, Vlado Briskovski, Zoran Briskovski, Zoran Babic, Caneta Filipovski (Vukasin Perica), Dany Cvijic, Dean Friend. Iduće nedelje JUST je slobodan, jer se u Melbourne igra internacionalna utakmica.

AMATERSKA LIGA

PELISTER/Pascoe Vale — Postal Union 3:4 (1:2). Pelister je opet nesretno izgubio, jer je tri puta pogodio stativu. Streli: Mitko Sterovski, Hrsto Apostolovski, Zoran Ristovski. Ova trojica su bili igrači Pelistera. Rezerva je igrala 2:2. Oba gola postigao je Pero Perdevski.

WILLTON/VOJVOJINA — MITCHAM 2:2 (2:0). Vojvodina je provala 68 minuta na protivničkoj strani, ali su ostala dva minuta ipak bila dovoljna da protivnik izvede jedan bod. Sudija je svirao preko 30 ofsajda protiv igrača Vojvodine, što je svakako bilo preterano i neopravdano. Streli za Vojvodinu: Andrija Stresnjak i Paul Gallo. Sastav Vojvodine: S. Peska, M. Stojanovski (J. Sklenar), Lj. Kitanski, J. Kordanski, P. Oravec, P. Koleski, G. Belani, C. Simonovski, A. Stresnjak, P. Gallo, S. Dimitrović (Z. Todorovski).

INDUSTRIJSKA LIGA

TARAX — WILLS 4:1 (2:0). Po skromnoj oceni navijaca ova je bila najbolja utakmica u ovoj sezoni. Tim "limunade" je igrao majstorski iako su Stevo Kosovac, Ibro Hadzibabic i Veroslav Mladenovic nastupili bolenski i povredjeni. Najbolji igrači: Veroslav Mladenovic, Sander Kapi, Aca Todorovic, Jovan Milovan i Milan Gallo. Streli: Milos Adamovic 2, Veroslav Mladenovic i Stevan Kosovac po jedan. Iduće nedelje Tarax igra u Industrijski Kup.

Public Works — PEGASUS 2:2. Streli: Sabljak i Petelin. Pegasus je nadigrao slabog protivnika, ali zbog neobrazljive odbrane morao je da podeli bodove. Pegasus je uvek neposredan. Sastav: Kurjan 6, 7. Placko 6, Harris 6, Petelin 8, Moric 7, Stanovic 6, Sabljak 6, M. Placko 7, Pus 6, Pavlovic 7, Ovar 6. Pegasus igra iduće nedelje protiv Fibro Containersa za Industrijski Kup.

DOVIDJEJKA

TOKOM OVE NEDELJE ODLAZIM U Argentinu na nogometno prvenstvo pretnosti, ali se nadam da će uva rubrika neće prekinuti do mog povratka.

If Footscray JUST goalkeeper Dennis Boland continues to play the way he has in recent weeks, it shouldn't be too long before he realises his ambition — to play for Victoria, or perhaps Australia.

Boland, 27, who made a stunning comeback after missing the first six games of the Phillips League season through illness, would have liked nothing better than to be in the Victorian squad for this week's game against Dundee of Scotland.

"I was born in Dundee," said Boland, "and it would have suited me down to the ground to get a call-up to the Victorian team for the game against my home-town club. I was overlooked in the past when I thought I had a good chance of being selected, but I haven't given up hope of representing the State. Playing against Dundee would be made up for the disappointments of the past."

No-one can deny that Boland's form of late would justify selection in the State team. However, unless one of the keepers in the squad suffers an injury or dramatic loss of form, State coach Duncan McKay is not likely to make changes.

Boland's late start to the season was caused by hepatitis.

"I did all the pre-season training," said Boland, "but I didn't feel too well. One doctor said it was because I had the flu, but I went to another one, who did some tests that showed I had hepatitis."

It was the eve of the PSL season, and Boland was to spend the next four weeks in bed.

"I lost over a stone in weight during my illness," said Boland, "but recovered sooner than the doctor expected. I put the weight back on in about two weeks when I started eating normally and training again."

Boland's unavailability forced JUST to rush into the transfer market in search of a replacement. The club bought Mike O'Hara from Hakoah for \$3000.

"Mike's on the bench now," said Dennis, "but his being there has helped me. Competition for places in a team is good and I'll have to

keep performing well if I'm to hold my place."

However, Boland, who is one of the leaders in the JAT "Soccer Action" PSL player of the year award, says he gave away two goals in early comeback games.

"Because of the lay-off," said Boland, "I lost a bit of touch and judgment. I made a mistake against Canberra City that cost JUST a goal and I blame myself for the goal I conceded against Sydney Olympic. But when I get right back into it I expect to cut out such errors."

Boland is probably being a little harsh on himself but as he says, the good saves a keeper makes are quickly forgotten, while mistakes live on long after the game is over.

Boland came to Australia from Scotland in 1970. He joined Hakoah St Kilda. Some of the top players in the Hakoah team were Mike Clary (former Mooroolbark, now back at Hakoah), Alan Stenhouse, Terry Lane (who later joined Mooroolbark before returning to England), John Anderson and David Baker.

Boland left Hakoah after two years and joined Albion Rovers.

Albion was in the Second Division," said Dennis, "but was keen to win promotion. We ended up winning the league."

Stars of the Albion team that year were Billy Rae and Hugh Murney, who had joined Albion from Hakoah at the same time Boland did.

"Rae was a real 90-minute man," said Dennis. "He could play in nearly every position and was very tenacious. Murney was getting on in age, but used his experience to guide the team."

After one season with Albion in the First Division, Boland was on the move again. Hans van Balkom, the former Ringwood City star, was recruited to his club, Yomiuri of Japan.

He contacted Dennis and offered him the chance to play as a professional in Japan. Dennis accepted the offer. Hammy McEechan, the former Croatia and Victoria star, was also signed up by Van Balkom.

"It was a great experience playing professionally," said Boland. "We'd train once a day on weekdays at around three in the afternoon. However, the language barrier made things difficult. In the end, it was that that persuaded me to return to Australia when my contract expired."

Yomiuri plays in the Japanese national league.

By
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Most of the clubs in the league are owned by large companies, which means a virtually endless supply of money for the soccer clubs.

Yomiuri is joint-owned by the Nippon Television Company, and a local daily paper. "The club fixed us up with a house," said Dennis, "and any players who had been with the club a while and then retired, we'd give a job with the company that owned the club."

However, while the stadiums were of a good standard, and the crowd (average 7000 a game) quite decent, Boland found the standard of soccer mediocre. "The players were really fit," said Dennis, "and exceptionally fast, but they couldn't read the game."

This failing was fully exposed when the club toured West Germany and Holland at the end of Boland's first season in Japan.

"When we played in Europe," said Dennis, "our opposition would let our boys run around but because they could read the game they could save their legs."

Boland was on the receiving end when Yomiuri played Werder Bremen of West Germany. He had the ball put past him five times, but said that he played fairly well.

The club's tour of West Germany was a bonus after the team had won the league championship. The following year the team had an average season, and so only toured Northern Japan.

Boland returned to Australia as the State League season was drawing to a close.

"The 1975 State League Cup was just starting," said Dennis, "and JUST was having trouble finding a regular keeper. I came on to the scene and the club signed me."

Boland says that at the time he was happy he joined the club but you can bet the club was even more pleased. A few weeks later, JUST's new signing won the State League Cup visually single-handedly.

"We were playing Mooroolbark in the final," said Dennis, "and I had a pretty good game. However, at the end the score was 2-2."

"After nine penalty kicks the score was 5-4 in favor of JUST. No-one had missed a kick up until that stage."

Frankston City) took the last kick and he put it to my right hand side. I managed to get across and palm it away, and we won the cup."

Dennis says that at the time he didn't think of the importance of the kick.

"In sudden-death penalty kicks everything happens so fast," said Boland, "I was concentrating on the kick and the thought that the cup would be ours if I saved it didn't enter my mind."

Boland says he normally saves one spot kick a year. Last year he saved a Ken Taylor penalty in a national league game against Alexander, and this season he stopped Phil O'Connor of St George from scoring.

"The save against St George made me really happy," said Dennis, "as we were leading only 1-0, and if O'Connor had scored, it would've put his club right back into the game. Also, I thought it was a 'soft' penalty and shouldn't have been awarded in the first place."

However, there's one man who gets the ball past Boland fairly regularly.

"I suppose you could say that Peter Ollerton is a bogey player to me," said Dennis.

"I've spoken to other keepers who play against him, but they say he doesn't worry them that much."

"However, because I'm not really a tall person, Ollerton's weight and height put me at a disadvantage when going for high balls."

"I had a nightmare game against him in the 1976 Ampol Cup. He beat us 4-1, and Ollerton got two, as well as creating many other chances."

Boland says that if he were as tall as John Hansen, Helias' Danish import, he'd be much happier.

"I reckon Hansen and Billy

Whiteside of Hakoah are two of the best keepers on the local scene," said Dennis.

Boland says that Dragan Vasic holds the key to success for JUST.

"Dragan's having a bad trot at the moment," he says, "but if he can get back to his top form, we'll have someone to put away all the chances we make. Then we'll really hit top gear."

He added that the defence was playing very well at the moment.

"The two Jimmys in the middle of the back four — Kondarios and Kriaris — are keeping our defence tight. Those two and I have built up an understanding over the past three years, so mistakes are minimised."

"I can shout at them during a game but as soon as we get off the field everything is forgotten. If I have a go at Kondarios on the field, I'm talking to Jim the player, not Jim the man."

Dennis praised Kriaris for his courage, which has seen him come back after a bad back injury.

"The last 10 minutes of a game Kriaris is really suffering," said Boland, "and it really hits him the next day."

Hopefully, JUST will really hit top gear and stay in touch with the top. The next time JUST meets Helias it will be interesting to see if Boland can overcome his "Ollerton-phobia". Boland was fortunate he missed out when the two clubs clashed earlier this season. Helias won 2-0 with both goals coming from Ollerton.

Soon Boland will have another fan at games. His wife Brenda last year gave birth to a baby girl, Susan, who's now 10 months old. However, the way Boland has thwarted forwards this season I doubt if he'll gain any new admirers from the ranks of strikers!

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Ultimate to Best: put up or ship out

The first of a series by "Soccer Action's" MENO TOUTSIDIS, on tour in the United States.



George Best — out of form.

LOS ANGELES — George Best, the tempestuous wayward genius, was in a mood of sombre introspection.

We are sitting in a French restaurant, La Guillotine, on Sunset Boulevard in the centre of Hollywood.

Two beautiful sun-drenched blondes, wearing tight blouses and shorts, walk past but Best does not give them a second glance.

It has been a bad week for Best.

He was dropped from the starting line-up for the Los Angeles Aztecs' home match against the Oakland Stompers after missing two practice sessions.

Best came on after 15 minutes but missed two penalties and the Aztecs crashed to a 2-1 defeat — their fourth in five matches.

It was the first time Best had been dropped since joining the Aztecs three years ago.

Best does not hide his feelings. "Of course I'm not happy," he says, sipping a gin and tonic.

"Let's face it, there is

something wrong with the team. I think I know what it is and I've mentioned it, but so far nothing has been done about it.

"We went all the way to the semi-finals last year. Before the season started I asked for minor changes to be made which would improve us. But so far nothing has been done."

Two days after the Oakland defeat, the Aztecs played a midweek game against the Cuba national team, and Best was superb, scoring the only goal of the match with a thunderous 15-metre shot.

However, Best and the Aztecs slumped in a disastrous 2-0 home defeat to the Seattle Sounders at the huge Rose Bowl.

The Aztecs have yet to record a win at the 105,000 capacity stadium this season.



Troubled Aztec coach Terry Fisher.

And Best, who scored 11 goals last season, has not scored in competition matches this season.

Best admitted he has not had the best of seasons and coach Terry Fisher and owner and president of the Aztecs, Larry Friend, have publicly lashed the club's biggest asset.

Immediately after the Seattle loss, Friend issued an ultimatum to his players.

"I told each man that anybody who doesn't want to play for the Aztecs will be accommodated," Friend said from the Aztecs' headquarters at Pasadena.

"We won't take anything less than a 100 per cent effort from George Best or anybody."

"The team comes first. That's the way it's got to be."

"I told Bestie to put up or shut up and ship out. We've tolerated all the indifference we can. We've bent over backwards. One more missed practice without an excuse and he's gone."

Best, who seems a lot happier than when we first sat down an hour ago, admitted that the controversy surrounding him had not given him sleepless nights.

Yes, his lack of form has been a concern but he added: "It's not the first time I've been in hot water."

"It's only a matter of time before everything is sorted out."

"I had one of my best seasons last year both for Fulham and the Aztecs, so what is stopping me from continuing this year?"

"Sure I've had a bad run lately but who hasn't one time or another?"

But the Aztecs, particularly Fisher, hope he hits top form soon.

Fisher has been under intense pressure from the fans and unless the Aztecs hit a winning streak his job could be in jeopardy.

Fisher knows his job is not safe but despite the fans singing "Goodbye Terry" at home games, he says he is not worried.

"Sure the fans don't like me. I'm an unpopular coach," he says.

"I say screw the popularity. Either you want the job done or you don't."

"If you want a popular coach, get Farrah Fawcett-Majors to do your job."

Best finishes his fourth drink and we go for a walk along Sunset Boulevard, which is known to Californians as Sunset Strip.

We walk past the hotel Chateau Marmon which was the favorite haunt of Clark Gable and Humphrey Bogart, and now George Best.

Best feels perfectly at home here in Los Angeles which seems like a million miles from Manchester where he grew into a superstar.

California has one asset which the whole of England could never provide — Malibu Beach.

Best spends most of his spare time there and girls swarm around him on a hot Californian day — which seems to be every day lately.

He makes it quite clear that he doesn't want to return to England.

"I did everything there was to do there except play in a World Cup," he says.

"But I have a European Cup medal and if I had to choose between winning the European Cup and playing in a World Cup, I would pick the European Cup."

Best played a vital part on the 1968 European Cup final against Benfica at Wembley Stadium, scoring a goal in the opening minutes of extra time which led to United scoring a magnificent 4-1 win.



Scorers Chinaglia gets a hug from Cosmos teammate Beckenbauer.

Cosmos tops

NEW YORK — The New York Cosmos, who are rolling as potential champions and show no signs of slowing up.

The Cosmos, with only one loss this season, have scored 24 goals and allowed only eight.

Top scorer is Italy's Giorgio Chinaglia, who leads the NASL with eight goals and five assists for 21 points.

Another major producer for the Cosmos has been Vladislav Bogachev, who plays with four goals and seven assists. He is tied for fifth in the scoring race with 15 points.



PETER GEORGIOU

of the 'Hellenic Herald'

TO ΔΙΑΣΚΕΔΑΣΑΝΕ

Τό διασκεδάσαμε τό περασμένο Σάββατο καί τό καλύτερο απ' όλα ήταν ότι τό διασκεδάσαμε καί ο κόσμος πού πήγε στό Μίντλ Πάρκ γιά νά παρακολουθήσει τόν αγώνα μαζί με τόν... δευτερεύουσα σημασία αγώνα μεταξύ 'Αλεξάνδρου - Γιουβέντους. Μάλιστα άρξίζει νά σημειωθεί ότι ο δημοσιογράφος έφεραν γούρι στόν Μέγα με τήν νίκη τους επί τών καλλιτεχνών, διότι καί αυτός κέρδισε τήν Γιουβέντους με 3 γκόλ.

Δέν θά περιγράψουμε τό παιχνίδι διότι ήταν άπερίγραπτο, έτσι κι άν προσπαθούσαμε δέν θά ξέραμε από πού ν' άρχίσουμε. Όλοι όμως διακρίθηκαν καί ο δημοσιογράφος καί ο καλλιτέχνης πού συγκεντρώθηκαν στό Μίντλ Πάρκ γιά νά συμβάλουν στις εκδηλώσεις τής 'Ελληνικής 'Εβδομάδος με τόν δικό τους τρόπο, μ' ένα ποδοσφαιρικό αγώνα πού είναι ο πρώτος πού έκανε γίνει στό χρονικό τής παροχής τής Μελοδούρης καί δέν θά ήταν άσχημη ή ιδέα άν αυτός ο αγώνας καθιερώνονταν σέ κάθε μελλοντική εκδήλωση τής 'Ελληνικής 'Εβδομάδος καί μάλιστα πριν από τόν αγώνα 'Ελληνικής ομάδος.

Φυσικά τό αποτέλεσμα τό ξέρετε. Νίκησαμε (έπαιξε δυστυχώς καί ο γράφων) με 3-2 τούς καλλιτέχνες παρά τήν θνησαρχή αντίπαλο πού πρόβαλαν καί ιδιαίτερα στό έ μίχτρον όπου μάλιστα είχαν άρχισει νά γίνονται καί άπειλητικοί όταν είσαν ότι είχαν εύνοικο τόν άνεμο ο οποίος έμπόδιζε τόν τερματοφύλακα μας νά σταθεί στό πόδια του.

Ο ένθουσιασμός τόσο μέσα στό γήπεδο όσο καί τής κερκίδας ήταν πολύ πιά θερμός από τόν άέρα καί τήν συννεφία. Οι θεατές στήν κερκίδα τό διασκεδάσαν μαζί μας, χειροκρότησαν τούς άγωνιζόμενους γιά τόν ήρωισμό τους (60 λεπτά τρέχοντας ο φοκαρόδες) περισσότερο καί γιά τήν άπεκτικότητα τους στις κοαιρικές συνθήκες (δέν σημειώθηκε κανένα κρούσμα πνευμονίας).

Είναι σίγουρο πώς αυτός ο αγώνας θά γίνει θεσμός στό μέλλον καί ότι κάθε χρόνο θά συγκεντρώνει περισσότερο κόσμο καί ίσως εκτός στόρας από τήν πατρίδα (μιάμε γιά τήν σύνθεση τών καλλιτεχνών) οι οποίοι θά τύχει νά βρίσκονται τήν εποχή εκείνη στην Αυστραλία.

Τέτοιοι ποδοσφαιρικοί αγώνες σέ άλλες χώρες καί στήν 'Ελλάδα αποτελούν τό γεγονός τής χρονιάς καί οι φιλάθλοι τρέχουν στό γήπεδο με πανιά, τρωπέτες, τράκνες καί συνάδελφοι — πάντοτε έξυπνοι — γιά νά φωνάξουν υπέρ ή κατά τών ομάδων καί νομίζω ότι είδη καιρός νά άρχίσουμε νά βλέπουμε καί εδω τέτοιους αγώνες. Άγώνες π.χ. μεταξύ δημοσιογράφων — ήθοποιών ή δημοσιογράφων — δικηγόρων, ή δικηγόρων — γιατρών, ή λιμπεραλς — λέμμπορ (εδώ θά έχει πολύ γέλιο), άκόμη έναν πιά επίσημο αγώνα παλαμάχων ποδοσφαιριστών οι οποίοι θά γίνονται σέ μεγάλο γήπεδο πριν τήν έναρξη ενός επίσημου αγώνα.

Μέχρι σήμερα οι δημοσιογράφοι έδωσαν δύο αγώνες. Έναν έναντι τών διαπλητών (1-1) τό '76 όπου έπαιξαν καί Αύστραλοι συνάδελφοι καί έναν τό Σάββατο (3-2) με 'Ελληνες δημοσιογράφους καί τόν Λώρυ Σουγιάμπ από τό Σόκκερ 'Ακαίον σάν εκγέστ στόρας. Καί θ' ακολουθήσουν οι άλλοι. 'Ηδη οι καλλιτέχνες διψούν γιά εκδήλωση καί ζητούν ρεβάνς τήν οποία καί θά δώσουμε μόλις τό επιτρέψει ο καιρός καί ρι γιατροί καί τό μέλη τού σωματός πολλών θά χρεαστούν καιρός γιά νά επανέλθουν στήν ενεργό δράση. Καί αυτός ο αγώνας κατά τήν γνώμη μου θά πρέπει νά γίνει ή άρχή γιά παρόμοιες εκδηλώσεις γιά μάς όπου διασκεδάσουν τόσο οι φιλάθλοι όσο καί οι άγωνιζόμενοι.

Καί θά θέλαμε νά ευχαριστήσουμε τήν 'Εθνική Τράπεζα 'Ελλάδος γιά τήν θαλασσοπία τήν κυπέλλα όπως επίσης τούς ποδοσφαιρικούς συλλόγους 'Αλέξανδρο καί Πέλοπα πού έδωσαν στις ομάδες τίς στολές στους δημοσιογράφους καί στους καλλιτέχνες αντίστοιχες καί επίσης τήν 'Ελλάς Μελοδούρης γιά τήν παραχώρηση τού γηπέδου τών τών άποδυτηρίων.

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The boys' names will also appear in our list of "Hat-Trick Heroes" published every week.

This week's hat-trick heroes:

Franco Leone, 10 (Box Hill), 3. **Sterritt**, 11, J. **Oyer**, 11 (Greensborough), **Joe Gaudi**, 14, twenty-three goals (Moe United); **Mark Sady**, 8 (Ardeer); **Anthony Smith**, 7, Guy Barwood, 6, four goals (Springvale); **George Jacmenovic**, 10, five goals (Essendon City); **Michael Rothwell**, 12 (Mowbray Heights Primary School, Tas.); **Michael Ben**, 7 (Unaderra Heights, NSW); **Simon Hicks**, 12 (Mellon); **Roger Miles**, 9, five goals; **Glen McNeill**, 10, **Paul Botticello** (St. Pats West, Tas); **Nick Pavlov**, 14, **Zotos Zerovis**, 14, **Basel Caravadas**, 14, four goals **Pavlos Ribes**, 14 (all St. Melb Hellas); **Pasquale Ianelli**, 11, **Wayne Weber**, 12 (Dandenong North); **Con Laga**, 10, (West United); **Uri Dardovski**, 13, **Robert Rott**, 13, five goals, **David Walkden**, 13, four goals (all Atlanta City); **Nigel High**, 14, four goals, **Craig Crowe**, 14, four goals, **Nick Kovacevic**, 8, six goals, **Chris Foulds**, 8 (all Bundoora); **Peter McAvoy**, 9, six goals (Pagewood-Botany, NSW); **Simon Wilkins**, 7 (Croydon); **Greg Kannemeyer**, 15, **Ethennias Patziannas**, 14 (Cauffield); **Cameron Westwood**, 8, **Craig Keyser**, 9, six goals, **Nick Schelling**, 8 (Berwick); **Robert Mantel**, 10, **Gary Wilkinson**, 10 (Mooroolbark); **Gary van der**

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Gauci scores 23

Joe Gauci, a Victorian under 14 representative last year, continues his incredible goal-scoring feats in the Latrobe Valley.

Joe, 14, scored no less than 23 goals in Moe United's under 16 win against Leongatha. Final score was 26-1.

In another recent game, Joe scored eight of the goals in Moe under 16s 9-0 win against Sale Stags. He then scored three goals in the Moe Recaners, who beat Sale 6-2.

One of Melbourne's Phillips League teams — HELLAS, J.U.S.T. or ALEXANDER — should move in now to secure some sort of option on GAUCI. This boy is a Soccerro of the future.

A view from the junior ranks

BY LEIF JENSEN

I would like to thank the people who went to the trouble of writing this week. Your letters confirm my belief that lack of communication at club level is the major reason why so many boys do not turn up at the regional trials.

One such letter is a typical sample so we decided to publish it.

Dear Mr. Jensen,

Re your recent column in "Soccer Action" in connection with regional squads, this was the first I had heard of any trials taking place.

I telephoned (Mr. X) and was put in touch with the regional coach who invited my son along to the trials on Saturday, May 13, as a result of which he has now been included in the squad.

On questioning my son he told me they had not been told of any trials taking place. I also asked the team manager of my son's team on May 14 if he had any information on the trials but the first he knew of them was my inquiry.

most certainly a lack of communication at club level and many talented youngsters must have lost the opportunity to represent their region and/or state because of this.

I know my youngster is highly delighted at being included in the squad.

Yours in sport

Mrs. D.

To the "coach" who said to someone on the touchline the other day "I am not letting any of my boys go to these regional games. They might get injured and not be able to play for me the next day." I would like to say: What right do you have to deprive a boy of a chance to represent his region or State?

Just to let you know, "coach", that I am not talking through my hat I have, out of the two teams I am coaching, 20 boys in the region squads ranging from U/12 to U/15s, and so far have not had any boy injured.

a renewed interest in soccer and a great performance from them all every Sunday in their club games.

To all the knockers of the region and State teams, how come I did not receive one single letter from you fellows?

My address again: L.G. Jensen, 15, Auburn Street, South Caulfield 3162.

Any U/11 team from Melbourne, would like a week-end in the country. Here is your opportunity. The U/11 Rep. team from Albion would like teams from Melbourne to come up and give them a game. The boys would be billeted and can assure you they would be well looked after.

A good friend of mine is the coach and the manager is Russell Gardiner who is the man to contact on Albion 25 3948, or you can write to 374 Reservoir Road, Albion

Philips League Club Directory

ADELAIDE CITY

G.P.O. BOX 1262L, ADELAIDE, 5001

SECRETARY: Carmine Picorello (08) 337 0241

COACH: Les Sheinflug.

GROUND: Olympic Sports Field, Kensington.
(08) 31 1844

COLOURS: Black & White

This week's match: v. **WEST ADELAIDE** at Olympic Sports Field (Adelaide) Sunday 3 pm.

BRISBANE LIONS

15 DELPHINUS ST., INALA, QLD, 4077

SECRETARY: Simon Boeqheim, (07) 372 2891

COACH: G. Vincze

GROUND: Perry Park, Abbotsford Rd., Mayne.
(07) 52 5328

COLOURS: All Orange with Blue stripe

This week's match: v. **BRISBANE CITY** at Perry Park (Brisbane) Sunday 3 pm.

BRISBANE CITY

P.O. Box 265 Broadway, Brisbane 4001
Club Phone 356 8834

SECRETARY: G. Canale bus (07) 52 4711

COACH: D. Ford.

GROUND: Perry Park, Abbotsford Rd, Mayne.

SPONSOR: **Alitalia** AirlinesThis week's match: v. **BRISBANE LIONS** at Perry Park (Brisbane) Sunday 3 pm.

CANBERRA CITY

P.O. Box 910, Canberra City 2600

SECRETARY: David Dillon 48 8917 (W)

COACH: J. Warren. 54 1787 (L)

GROUND: National Athletic Stadium, Bruce.

SPONSOR: **BRIAN POLLOCK** FordThis week's match: v. **SOUTH MELBOURNE** at Middle Park (Melbourne) Saturday 3 pm.

EASTERN SUBURBS HAKOAH

61 HALL ST., BONDI, N.S.W.

SECRETARY: M. K. Lakmaker, 30 3344 (mornings)
663 4576 (afternoons)

COACH: Gerry Chaldi

GROUND: Wentworth Park, Glebe, N.S.W. Phone (02) 660 7431

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FOOTSCRAY

P.O. BOX 122, ST KILDA SOUTH, 3182

SECRETARY: H. Iser bus (03) 391 3231

COACH: C. Cirkovic

GROUND: Olympic Park on Schintler Reserve

SPONSOR: **JAT** YUGOSLAV AIRLINESThis week's match: v. **FITZROY UNITED** at Schintler Reserve (Melbourne) Saturday 3 pm.

FITZROY UNITED

P.O. BOX 8, COLLINGWOOD, 3066

SECRETARY: S. Karanikolopoulos (03) 41 3048

COACH: J. Margaritis.

GROUND: Olympic Park, Swan St., Melbourne.
(03) 42 0642

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GROUND: Marconi Oval, Marconi Rd., Bossley Park

SPONSOR: Rosso Antico

This week's match: v. **NEWCASTLE KB UNITED** at Marconi Oval (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm.

NEWCASTLE KB UNITED

4 NORTHWOOD ST., ADAMSTOWN HEIGHTS, N.S.W., 2289

SECRETARY: P. Trisley, Bus. (049) 24930 (049) 26 2433

COACH: A. Vest

GROUND: International Sports Centre, Turton Rd.,
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This week's match: v. **MARCONI** at Marconi Oval (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm.

ST. GEORGE

84 VICTORIAN AVENUE, MORTDALE, N.S.W.

SECRETARY: S. Boqrar, Bus. (02) 630 2744

COACH: I. Takacs

GROUND: Barton Park, Rockdale

COLOURS: White, Red & Green

This week's match: v. **WESTERN SUBURBS** at Wentworth Park (Sydney) Sunday 1 pm.

SOUTH MELBOURNE

P.O. BOX 64, ST. KILDA WEST, VIC., 3182

General Manager: Mike Whitewood. (Bus.) 94 5048,
94 5462 (After Hours) 309 4079

MANAGER/COACH: D. MacLaren

GROUND: Middle Park, Aughtie Drive,
Middle Park

COLOURS: Blue & White

This week's match: v. **CANBERRA CITY** at Middle Park (Melbourne) Saturday 3 pm.

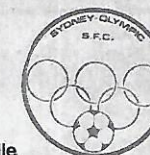
SYDNEY OLYMPIC

BOX A181
SYDNEY SOUTH, N.S.W., 2000

SECRETARY: N. Smilas, Bus. (02) 72 0661

COACH: T. Anderson

GROUND: Erskinvile Oval, Mitchell Rd., Erskinvile

SPONSOR: Patra Fruit Juices **patra**This week's match: v. **EASTERN SUBURBS HAKOAH** at Wentworth Park (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm.

WEST ADELAIDE

G.P.O. BOX 1130, ADELAIDE S.A., 5001

SECRETARY: D. A. Carapetis, Bus. (08) 227 4311

COACH: J. Adam

GROUND: Hindmarsh Stadium, Mantion St., Hindmarsh

This week's match: v. **ADELAIDE CITY** at Olympic Sports Field (Adelaide) Sunday 3 pm.

WESTERN SUBURBS

4 WILLIAM ST., FIVE DOCK, N.S.W., 2046

SECRETARY: G. Stratford, Bus. (02) 713 8672

COACH: M. Laing

GROUND: Englefield Stadium, Jenner Rd., Dural

COLOURS: Black & White

This week's match: v. **ST. GEORGE** at Wentworth Park (Sydney) Sunday 1 pm.